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Semiconductor body, its manufacturing method, and semiconductor device using the body.

A semiconductor body (20) has a first and a second element formation surface. The semiconductor body (20) is constructed in such a manner that a first semiconductor substrate (10), which has a first main surface at which the (100) plane appears, is laminated to a second semiconductor substrate (12), which has a second main surface at which the (110) plane appears. Made in the first semiconductor substrate (10) is at least one opening (18) at which is the second main surface of the second semiconductor substrate (12). The first main surface of the first semiconductor substrate (10) becomes the first element formation surface of the semiconductor body (20), and the second main surface of the second semiconductor substrate becomes the second element formation surface of the body (20).

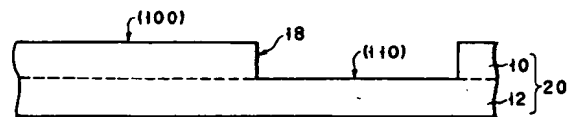


FIG. 1D

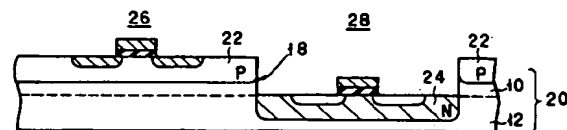


FIG. 1F

This invention relates to a semiconductor body, its manufacturing method, and a semiconductor device using the body, and more particularly to a semiconductor body capable of optimizing the performance and characteristics of active elements.

In a semiconductor device in which CMOS integrated circuits are packed, the n-channel MOSFET (hereinafter, referred to as the NMOS) and the p-channel MOSFET (hereinafter, referred to as the PMOS) are formed on the same substrate. For this type of device, there has been no substrate structure yet that allows the NMOS and PMOS to achieve their best performance.

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The MOS transistor's characteristics including transconductance and reliability depend on the surface orientation of the substrate. Thus, it is impossible to optimize the performance and characteristics of semiconductor elements in the present-day semiconductor substrate (body). That is, CMOS semiconductor devices forming present-day NMOS and PMOS transistors have not yet drawn their maximum performance.

Accordingly, the object of the present invention is to provide a semiconductor body capable of allowing semiconductor elements of different conductivity types not only to simultaneously display their full performance but also to form semiconductor elements with the optimum characteristics into a device, its manufacturing method, and a semiconductor device using the body.

To attain the foregoing object, a semiconductor body of the present invention contains a portion having a first surface orientation, and a portion having a second surface orientation almost parallel to the first portion.

Because the semiconductor body has the first surface orientation portion and the second orientation portion almost parallel to the first portion, forming semiconductor elements of different conductivity types in the first and second surface orientation portions, respectively, makes it possible to maximize the performance of those semiconductor elements of different conductivity types at the same time.

The semiconductor element formed in the first surface orientation portion differs from that in the second surface orientation portion in the performance and characteristics. This makes it possible to form semiconductor elements with the optimum characteristics into a semiconductor device by forming the semiconductor element either in the first or the second surface orientation portion, depending on the requirements.

The semiconductor device thus formed has several advantages such as the improved performance.

A concrete method of forming the above semiconductor body is first to prepare a first semiconductor substrate whose main surface has a first surface orientation, and a second semiconductor substrate whose main surface has a second surface orientation, and then laminate the main surface of the first semiconductor substrate to that of the second semiconductor substrate, and finally make at least one opening in the first semiconductor substrate so that the second semiconductor substrate may be exposed.

Growing an epitaxial semiconductor layer in the opening allows the first surface orientation portion to be almost flush with the second surface orientation portion. With the semiconductor body thus formed, the step gap between the first and second surface orientation portions is alleviated. Therefore, this body has the advantage of facilitating the connection of semiconductor elements by the interconnection layer.

This invention can be more fully understood from the following detailed description when taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figs. 1A to 1F are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a first embodiment of the present invention;

Figs. 2A to 2E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a second embodiment of the present invention;

Figs. 3A to 3G are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a third embodiment of the present invention;

Figs. 4A to 4F are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention;

Figs. 5A to 5E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention;

Figs. 6A to 6E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a sixth embodiment of the present invention;

Fig. 7 is a sectional view of a semiconductor device according to a seventh embodiment of the present invention;

Figs. 8A to 8E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to an eighth embodiment of the present invention;

Figs. 9A to 9E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a ninth embodiment of the present

invention;

Fig. 10 is a sectional view of a semiconductor device according to a tenth embodiment of the present invention;

Fig. 11 is a block diagram of a memory cell portion of a dynamic RAM;

Fig. 12 is a block diagram of a memory cell portion of a static RAM;

Fig. 13 is a diagram of the sense circuit shown in Figs. 11 and 12;

Fig. 14 is a circuit diagram of the static memory cell of Fig. 12;

Fig. 15 is another circuit diagram of the static memory cell of Fig. 12;

Fig. 16 is a block diagram of a memory cell portion and a row decoder portion of the programmable ROM;

Fig. 17 is a circuit diagram of the AND gate and level shifter of Fig. 16; and

Fig. 18 is a perspective view, in cross section, of a part of the MOSFETs constituting a memory cell portion and peripheral circuit portion of the programmable ROM of Fig. 16.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, embodiments of the present invention will be explained. The like parts are indicated by the corresponding reference characters throughout the drawings, and their repetitive explanation will be omitted.

Figs. 1A to 1F are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a first embodiment of the present invention.

First prepared are a single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 10 in which the (100) plane appears at the main surface and a single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 12 in which the (110) plane comes out to the main surface (Fig. 1A).

Then, the substrate 10 is laminated to the substrate 12 to form a silicon body 20 (Fig. 1B). The lamination of those two substrates is carried out by, for example, planishing adhesion techniques.

Next, on the main surface of the silicon substrate 10, a mask material 14 made of, for example, a silicon oxide film is deposited. A photoresist (not shown) is applied over the mask material 14 to form a photoresist layer. Patterning is done on the photoresist layer by the photoetching method to make a window in the photoresist layer in order to form an opening.

The mask material 14 is then etched, using the photoresist layer as a mask. This forms a window 16 in the mask material 14 at which the main surface of the substrate 10 is exposed. With the mask material 14 as a mask, the substrate 10 is etched to form an opening 18 that allows the main surface of the substrate 12 to be exposed (Fig.

1C).

To facilitate the formation of the opening 18, before or after the lamination process of Fig. 1B, the substrate 10 may be polished to reduce its film thickness.

Next, the mask material 14 is removed. After those processes have been completed, the silicon body 20 has portions of different surface orientations: a portion where the (100) plane is exposed and a portion where the (110) plane is exposed. Since these planes are almost parallel to each other, semiconductor elements can be formed at the (100) plane and the (110) plane, in the same manner as with a normal wafer (Fig. 1D).

Then, with a photoresist (not shown) as a mask, p-type impurities are introduced into the substrate 10 with the (100) surface orientation. By using a new photoresist (not shown) as a mask, n-type impurities are then introduced into the substrate 12 with the (110) surface orientation. Next, the introduced impurities are activated to form a p-type well 22 in the substrate 10, and an n-type well 24 in the substrate 12 (Fig. 1E).

Then, an NMOS 26 is formed in the p-type well 22, and a PMOS 28 is formed in the n-type well 24. This completes the semiconductor device of the first embodiment (Fig. 1F).

As described above, with the first embodiment, the silicon body 20 has a plurality of different surface orientation portions, in which NMOSes and PMOSes are formed so as to achieve their maximum performance, thereby providing a high-performance semiconductor device. As an example in the first embodiment, a PMOS is formed in the substrate 10 with the (100) surface orientation, and an NMOS is formed in the substrate 12 with the (110) surface orientation.

Packing such semiconductor devices into an integrated circuit provides a high-performance semiconductor integrated circuit device.

Figs. 2A to 2E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a second embodiment of the present invention.

First prepared are a p-type single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 30 in which the (100) plane comes out to the main surface and an n-type single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 32 in which the (110) plane appears at the main surface (Fig. 2A).

Then, the substrate 30 is laminated to the substrate 32 by, for example, planishing adhesion techniques to form a silicon body 40 (Fig. 2B).

Next, by the same method as explained in Fig. 1C, a mask material 14 with a window, composed of, for example, a silicon oxide film, is formed on the p-type substrate 30. With the mask material 14 as a mask, the p-type substrate 30 is etched to

make an opening 18 that allows the main surface of the n-type substrate 32 to appear at the bottom (Fig. 2C).

Then, the mask material 14 is removed. After those processes have been completed, the silicon body 40 has portions of different surface orientations: a portion with the (100) plane and a portion with the (110) plane. Further, in the present embodiment, the portions of different surface orientations are of different conductivity types (Fig. 2D).

Next, an NMOS 26 is formed in the p-type substrate 30, and a PMOS 28 is formed in the n-type substrate 32. This completes the semiconductor device of the second embodiment (Fig. 2E).

With the second embodiment, as with the first embodiment, by forming the NMOS and PMOS in the portions with surface orientations that enable their best performance to be achieved, a high-performance semiconductor device can be made. Making the conductivity types of the two substrate 30 and 32 different permits the omission of the well formation process, simplifying the manufacturing processes.

Figs. 3A to 3G are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a third embodiment of the present invention.

First prepared are a single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 10 in which the (100) plane comes out to the main surface and a single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 12 in which the (110) plane appear at the main surface (Fig. 3A).

Then, the substrate 10 is laminated to the substrate 12 by, for example, planishing adhesion techniques to form a silicon body 20 (Fig. 3B).

Next, by the same method as explained in Fig. 1C, a mask material 14 is formed on the substrate 10. With the mask material 14 as a mask, the substrate 10 is etched to make an opening 18 that allows the main surface of the substrate 12 to appear at the bottom (Fig. 3C).

Then, a sidewall 50 made of, for example, a silicon nitride film is formed on the side of the opening 18. This sidewall 50 is created by forming, for example, a nitride film over the substrates 10 and 12, and etching the nitride film by RIE or anisotropic etching techniques to leave a nitride film in the form of a sidewall on the side of the opening 18 (Fig. 3D).

Next, by using the mask material 14 as a mask, an epitaxial silicon layer 52 is grown on the substrate 12 exposed at the bottom of the opening 18. The epitaxial silicon layer 52 is formed by a selective epitaxial growth (hereinafter, referred to as SEG) method that uses the substrate 12 as seed crystal. This permits the plane whose surface orientation is the same as that of the main surface of the substrate 12, or the (110) plane to appear at

the surface of the epitaxial silicon layer 52. Here, by controlling the thickness of the epitaxial silicon layer 52 to be grown, the surface of the epitaxial silicon layer 52 can be made almost flush with the surface of the substrate 10. Therefore, the silicon body 20 has portions of different surface orientations: a portion with the (100) plane and a portion with the (110) plane. Further, in the body 20 of the present embodiment, those portions of different surface orientations can be made flush with each other. The mask material 14 is then removed from over the substrate 10 (Fig. 3E).

Then, with a photoresist (not shown) as a mask, p-type impurities are introduced into the substrate 10 with the (100) surface orientation. By using a new photoresist (not shown) as a mask, n-type impurities are then introduced into the epitaxial silicon layer 52 with the (110) surface orientation. Next, the introduced impurities are activated to form a p-type well 22 in the substrate 10, and an n-type well 24 in the epitaxial silicon layer 52 (Fig. 3F).

Then, an NMOS 26 is formed in the p-type well 22, and a PMOS 28 is formed in the n-type well 24. This completes the semiconductor device of the third embodiment (Fig. 3G).

The semiconductor device of the third embodiment has the same effects as the first embodiment does. It also provides the silicon body that enables the portions of different surface orientations to be almost flush with each other. As a result, with the body of Fig. 3E, the step gap between the portions of different surface orientations can be alleviated, which facilitates the connection of semiconductor elements by the interconnection layer.

Figs. 4A to 4F are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention.

First prepared are a p-type single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 30 in which the (100) plane comes out to the main surface and an n-type single-crystal silicon substrate (wafer) 32 in which the (110) plane appear at the main surface (Fig. 4A).

Then, the p-type substrate 30 is laminated to the n-type substrate 32 by, for example, planishing adhesion techniques to form a silicon body 40 (Fig. 4B).

Next, by the same method as explained in Fig. 1C, a mask material 14 is formed on the substrate 30. With the mask material 14 as a mask, the substrate 30 is etched to make an opening 18 that allows the main surface of the substrate 32 to appear at the bottom (Fig. 4C).

Then, a sidewall 50 made of, for example, a silicon nitride film is formed on the side of the opening 18, in the same manner as explained in

Fig. 3D (Fig. 4D).

Next, by the same method as described in Fig. 3E, that is, by the SEG method using the mask material 14 as a mask, an n-type epitaxial silicon layer 54 is grown on the substrate 12 exposed at the bottom of the opening 18. After those processes have finished, the silicon body 40 has portions of different surface orientations: a portion with the (100) plane and a portion with the (110) plane. Further, in the body 40 of the present embodiment, those portions of different surface orientations are of different conductivity types and can be made flush with each other. The mask material 14 is then removed from over the substrate 30 (Fig. 4E).

Then, an NMOS 26 is formed in the p-type substrate 30, and a PMPS 28 is formed in the n-type epitaxial layer 54. This completes the semiconductor device of the fourth embodiment (Fig. 4F).

The semiconductor device of the fourth embodiment provides the silicon body 40 that enables the portions of different surface orientations to be of different conductivity types and be almost flush with each other. This makes it possible to alleviate the step gap between the portions of different surface orientations, which facilitates the connection of semiconductor elements by the interconnection layer. Further, the arrangement of different surface orientation portions being of different conductivity types makes it possible to omit the well formation process.

Figs. 5A to 5E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention.

First, a silicon body 20 having portions of different surface orientations is formed by the method explained in Figs. 1A to 1D (Fig. 5A).

With a photoresist (not shown) as a mask, p-type impurities are introduced into substrates 10 and 12 to form p-type wells 22₁ and 22₃ in the substrate 10 and a p-type well 22₂ in the substrate 12. Then, by using a new photoresist (not shown) as a mask, n-type impurities are introduced into the substrates 10 and 12 to form an n-type well 24₁ in the substrate 10 and a p-type well 24₂ in the substrate 12 (Fig. 5B).

Next, a field oxide film 60 serving as an element separating region is formed on the substrates 10 and 12 by LOCOS techniques (Fig. 5C).

Then, the silicon-exposed surfaces of the substrates 10 and 12 undergo, for example, thermal oxidation to form gate oxide films 62₍₁₀₀₎ and 62₍₁₁₀₎ (Fig. 5D). Since the portion with the (100) surface orientation differs from that with the (110) surface orientation in oxidation ratio, this results in the difference in the film thickness between the oxide film 62₍₁₀₀₎ on the substrate 10 and the oxide film

62₍₁₁₀₎ on the substrate 12. If the thickness of the oxide film on the (100) plane is $T_{OX(100)}$ and that of the oxide film on the (110) plane is $T_{OX(110)}$, their relationship is expressed as:

$$T_{OX(100)} < T_{OX(110)} \quad (1)$$

Then, for example, a polysilicon layer is formed on each of the gate oxide films 62₍₁₀₀₎ and 62₍₁₁₀₎, and the resulting layers are subjected to patterning to form gate electrodes 64₁ to 64₄. By using a photoresist (not shown), the gate electrodes 64₁ and 64₄, and field oxide film 60 as a mask, n-type impurities are introduced into p-type wells 22₁ to 22₃ to form an n-type diffused layer 66 to become the source/drain of the NMOS. After this, by using a new photoresist (not shown), the gate electrodes 64₂ and 64₃, and field oxide film 60 as a mask, p-type impurities are introduced into n-type wells 24₁ to 24₂ to form a p-type diffused layer 68 to become the source/drain of the PMOS. In this way, NMOSes 26₍₁₀₀₎ and 26₍₁₁₀₎ are formed in the p-type wells 22₁ to 22₃, and PMOSes 28₍₁₀₀₎ and 28₍₁₁₀₎ are formed in the n-type wells 24₁ and 24₂. This completes the semiconductor device of the fifth embodiment (Fig. 5E).

As described above, an NMOS and a PMOS may be formed in portions of different surface orientations, respectively.

Figs. 6A to 6E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a sixth embodiment of the present invention.

First, a silicon body 40 having portions of different surface orientations and of different conductivity types, is formed by the method explained in Figs. 2A to 2D (Fig. 6A).

With a photoresist (not shown) as a mask, p-type impurities are introduced into the n-type substrate 32 to form a p-type well 22 in the n-type substrate 32. Then, by using a new photoresist (not shown) as a mask, n-type impurities are introduced into the p-type substrate 30 to form an n-type well 24 in the p-type substrate 30 (Fig. 6B).

Next, a field oxide film 60 serving as an element separating region is formed on the p-type substrate 30 and n-type substrate 32 by LOCOS techniques (Fig. 6C).

Then, the silicon-exposed surfaces of the p-type substrate 30 and n-type substrate 32 undergo, for example, thermal oxidation to form gate oxide films 62₍₁₀₀₎ and 62₍₁₁₀₎ (Fig. 6D). As explained in Fig. 5D, there is also the relationship between the thickness $T_{OX(100)}$ of the oxide film 62₍₁₀₀₎ formed on a portion with the (100) surface orientation and the thickness $T_{OX(110)}$ of the oxide film 62₍₁₁₀₎ formed on a portion with the (110) surface orientation, as represented by expression (1).

By the same way as explained in Fig. 5E, an NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎ is formed in the p-type substrate 30, an NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎ in the p-type well 22, a PMOS 28₍₁₀₀₎ in the n-type well 24, and a PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎ in the n-type substrate 32. This completes the semiconductor device of the sixth embodiment (Fig. 6E).

As described above, an NMOS and a PMOS may be formed in the portions of different surface orientations and of different conductivity types, respectively.

Fig. 7 is a sectional view of a semiconductor device according to a seventh embodiment of the present invention.

As shown in Fig. 7, a p-type silicon substrate 30₁ may be laminated to a p-type silicon substrate 30₂ to form a silicon body 42 of the p-type conductivity having different surface orientation portions, and then an n-type well 24₁ be formed at the p-type substrate 30₁ with the (100) plane exposed and an n-type well 24₂ at the p-type substrate 30₂ with the (110) plane exposed, and finally an NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎, an NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎, a PMOS 28₍₁₀₀₎, and a PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎ be formed.

The p-type body 42 is formed by the method described in Figs. 1A to 1D, especially, by making the substrates 10 and 12 of the p-type.

Figs. 8A to 8E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to an eighth embodiment of the present invention.

First, a silicon body 20 having portions of different surface orientations, almost flush with each other, is formed by the method explained referring to Figs. 3A to 3E (Fig. 8A).

With a photoresist (not shown) as a mask, p-type impurities are introduced into the substrate 10 and epitaxial silicon layer 52 to form p-type wells 22₁ and 22₃ in the substrate 10 and a p-type well 22₂ in the epitaxial silicon layer 52. Then, by using a new photoresist (not shown) as a mask, n-type impurities are introduced into the substrate 10 and epitaxial silicon layer 52 to form an n-type well 24₁ in the substrate 10 and a p-type well 24₂ in the epitaxial silicon layer 52 (Fig. 8B).

Next, a field oxide film 60 serving as an element separating region is formed on the substrate 10 and epitaxial silicon layer 52 by LOCOS techniques (Fig. 8C). Here, between the substrate 10 and epitaxial silicon layer 52 is formed a silicon nitride film 50 with a film thickness of W, which insulates the substrate 10 from the epitaxial silicon layer 52. For this reason, it is not necessary to introduce the field oxide film 60 to this region.

Then, the silicon-exposed surfaces of the substrate 10 and epitaxial silicon layer 52 undergo, for example, thermal oxidation to form gate oxide films 62₍₁₀₀₎ and 62₍₁₁₀₎ (Fig. 8D). As explained in Fig.

5D, there is the relationship between the thickness $T_{OX(100)}$ of the oxide film 62₍₁₀₀₎ on the substrate with the (100) surface orientation and the thickness $T_{OX(110)}$ of the oxide film 62₍₁₁₀₎ on the epitaxial silicon layer 52 with the (110) surface orientation, as represented by expression (1).

By the same way as explained in Fig. 5E, an NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎ is formed in each of the p-type wells 22₁ and 22₃, an NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎ in the p-type well 22₂, a PMOS 28₍₁₀₀₎ in the n-type well 24₁, and a PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎ in the n-type well 24₂. This completes the semiconductor device of the eighth embodiment (Fig. 8E).

As described above, by using the silicon body 20 where different surface orientation portions are almost flush with each other, an NMOS and a PMOS may be formed in the portions of different surface orientations, respectively.

Figs. 9A to 9E are sectional views in the manufacturing sequence of a semiconductor device according to a ninth embodiment of the present invention.

First, a silicon body 40 having portions of different surface orientations and of different conductivity types, almost flush with each other, is formed by the method explained in Figs. 4A to 4E (Fig. 9A).

With a photoresist (not shown) as a mask, p-type impurities are introduced into the n-type epitaxial silicon layer 54 to form a p-type well 22. Then, by using a new photoresist (not shown) as a mask, n-type impurities are introduced into the p-type substrate 30 to form an n-type well 24 (Fig. 9B).

Next, a field oxide film 60 serving as an element separating region is formed on the p-type substrate 30 and n-type epitaxial silicon layer 54 by LOCOS techniques (Fig. 9C). Since a silicon nitride film 50 with a film thickness of W is formed between the p-type substrate 30 and epitaxial silicon layer 54, it is not necessary to introduce the field oxide film 60 to this particular portion, as explained in Fig. 8C.

Then, the silicon-exposed surfaces of the p-type substrate 30 and n-type epitaxial silicon layer 54 undergo, for example, thermal oxidation to form gate oxide films 62₍₁₀₀₎ and 62₍₁₁₀₎ (Fig. 9D). As explained in Fig. 5D, there is the relationship between the thickness $T_{OX(100)}$ of the oxide film 62₍₁₀₀₎ and the thickness $T_{OX(110)}$ of the oxide film 62₍₁₁₀₎, as represented by expression (1).

By the same way as explained in Fig. 5E, an NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎ is formed in the p-type substrate 30, an NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎ in the p-type well 22, a PMOS 28₍₁₀₀₎ in the n-type well 24, and a PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎ in the n-type epitaxial silicon layer 54. This completes the semiconductor device of the ninth embodiment (Fig. 9E).

As described above, by using the silicon body 40 where different surface orientation portions of different conductivity types are almost flush with each other, an NMOS and a PMOS may be formed in the portions of different conductivity types, respectively.

Fig. 10 is a sectional view of a semiconductor device according to a tenth embodiment of the present invention.

As shown in Fig. 10, a p-type silicon substrate 30₁ may be laminated to a p-type silicon substrate 30₂, and then a p-type epitaxial silicon layer 56 be grown on the substrate 30₂ to form a silicon body 42 of the p-type conductivity with different surface orientation portions almost flush with each other, and finally an NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎, an NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎, a PMOS 28₍₁₀₀₎, and a PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎ be formed in the resulting body.

Next explained will be an example of applying the semiconductor devices described in the first to tenth embodiments to a practical device.

Fig. 11 is a typical block diagram of a memory cell portion of a dynamic RAM (hereinafter, referred to as the DRAM), and Fig. 12 is a typical block diagram of a memory cell portion of a static RAM (hereinafter, referred to as the SRAM).

As shown in Figs. 11 and 12, dynamic memory cells 100 or static memory cells 102 are connected at the intersections of word lines WL₀ to WL₃ and bit lines BL₀, BL₀⁻ (the symbol - means that the inverted signal is supplied), and BL₁, BL₁⁻. The bit line pairs BL₀, BL₀⁻ and BL₁, BL₁⁻ of the DRAM and SRAM are generally connected to a sense circuit 104 that performs differential amplification of the data signal flowing through the bit line pair.

Fig. 13 is a diagram showing a practical circuit configuration of the sense circuit 104 shown in Figs. 11 and 12.

As shown in Fig. 13, the drain of PMOS 106 and that of NMOS 108 are connected to bit line BL₀, one part of the bit line pair, to which the gate of PMOS 110 and that of NMOS 112 are also connected. The drain of PMOS 110 and that of NMOS 112 are connected to bit line BL₀⁻, the other part of the bit line pair, to which the gate of PMOS 106 and that of NMOS 108 are also connected. The sources of PMOSes 106 and 110 are each connected to a high-potential power supply VCC. The sources of NMOSes 108 and 112 are connected to a low-potential power supply, for example, the ground GND, via the current path of an NMOS 114 that, receiving the sense signal SENSE at its gate, switches the sense circuit 104.

With the sense circuit 104 thus constructed, equalizing the performance of PMOS with that of NMOS enables an improvement in the performance of the sense circuit 104. Taking into account the fact that in present-day MOSFETs, the perfor-

mance of NMOS is superior to that of PMOS, it is the best way to improve the performance of PMOS in order to equalize PMOS and NMOS in performance.

In view of this point, by making PMOSes 106 and 110 of PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎, using the semiconductor devices explained in the first to tenth embodiments, the performance can be improved. Constructing NMOSes 108 and 112 of NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎ enables the equalization of PMOS and NMOS in performance.

Fig. 14 is a diagram showing a first practical circuit configuration of the static memory cell 102 shown in Fig. 12.

As shown in Fig. 14, the drain of NMOS 116 is connected to a high-potential power supply VCC via a resistance 117, as well as to the gate of NMOS 118. The source of NMOS 116 is connected to a low-potential power supply, for example, the ground GND. The drain of NMOS 118 is connected to the high-potential power supply VCC via a resistance 119, and its source is connected to the ground GND and the gate of NMOS 116. These NMOSes 116 and 118, resistances 117 and 119 constitute a latch circuit, which latches the data for subsequent use. The drain of NMOS 116 is connected to bit line BL₀ via the current path of a data transfer transistor NMOS 120. Similarly, the drain of NMOS 118 is connected to bit line BL₀⁻ via the current path of a data transfer transistor NMOS 122. The gate of each of NMOSes 120 and 122 is connected to word line WL.

With the static memory cell 102 thus constructed, by increasing the ratio β_T/β_D of the driving capability β_T of the data transfer transistors, or NMOSes 120 and 122 to the driving capability β_D of the data-driving transistors, or NMOSes 116 and 118, the stability of the memory cell 102 is improved.

Especially by using the semiconductor devices explained in the fifth to tenth embodiments, NMOSes 120 and 122 (data transfer transistors) are made up of NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎, which provides a thicker gate oxide film, while NMOSes 116 and 118 (data-driving transistors) are composed of NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎, which provides a thinner gate oxide film. With this arrangement, a difference in the gate oxide film thickness creates a difference in the driving capability of MOSFET, thereby increasing the ratio β_T/β_D .

Fig. 15 is a diagram showing a second practical circuit configuration of the static memory cell 102 shown in Fig. 12.

As shown in Fig. 15, NMOSes 116 and 118, and PMOSes 121 and 123 constitute a latch circuit, which latches the data for subsequent use.

With a cell of such a CMOS circuit configuration, by making smaller the element separating

region that separates the PMOS formation region from the NMOS formation region, it is possible to efficiently reduce the area per cell.

Especially by using the semiconductor devices explained in the third, fourth, eighth, ninth, and tenth embodiments, NMOSes 116 and 118, and PMOSes 121 and 123 are formed in different surface orientation portions, respectively.

With the device of such a configuration, the NMOS formation region (such as the p-type well 22 or p-type silicon substrate 30) is separated from the PMOS formation region (such as the n-type well 24 or n-type epitaxial layer 54) by silicon nitride film 50. That is, using the nitride film 50 as the element-separating region makes the size of the region smaller than that formed by, for example, LOCOS techniques, thereby reducing the cell area. This provides a device construction suitable for a high-capacity static RAM, for example.

The effect of making the element separating region finer can be obtained with not only the static memory cell but also devices of other CMOS circuit arrangements.

The same effect is, of course, obtained when the silicon nitride film 50 separates elements of the same conductivity type from each other, such as NMOS on the (100) plane from NMOS on the (110) plane, or PMOS on the (100) plane from PMOS on the (110) plane, in addition to separating the elements, such as NMOS and PMOS, of the CMOS circuit.

Applying the memory cell of Fig. 15 to the present invention provides the following construction, for example.

Taking into account the difference in performance between NMOS and PMOS in the latch circuit, NMOSes 116 and 118 are composed of NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎, and PMOSes 121 and 123 are made up of PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎.

Data transfer NMOSes 120 and 122 are made up of NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎, which provides a thicker gate oxide film, taking into account the cell stability.

Fig. 16 is a typical block diagram of a memory cell portion and a row decoder portion of a programmable ROM (hereinafter, referred to as the PROM).

Presently, PROMs include EPROMs, which electrically write the data and erase it by radiation of ultraviolet rays, and EEPROMs, which electrically write and erase the data.

In such PROMs, when the data is written or erased, the potential of the word line and bit line is raised.

For example, in Fig. 16 showing mainly the connection of the memory cells 130 with the row decoder 132, level shifters 134 are provided between the outputs of AND gates 133 constituting the row decoder 132 and word lines WL₀ to WL₃ in

order to raise the potential of word lines WL₀ to WL₃ for activation.

Fig. 17 is a diagram showing a practical circuit configuration of the AND gate 133 and level shifter 134 of Fig. 16.

As shown in Fig. 17, the AND gate 133 is constructed in such a manner that the source and drain of PMOS 140 are connected to the source and drain of PMOS 142, respectively, and a NAND gate composed of NMOSes 144 and 146 whose current paths are connected in series with each other is connected between the common drain and the low-potential power supply, for example, the ground GND, and then the output of the NAND gate is inverted by an inverter made up of PMOS 148 and NMOS 150. Address signal A₀ is supplied to the gates of PMOS 142 and NMOS 146, and address signal A₁ to the gates of PMOS 140 and NMOS 144.

The level shifter 134 is composed as follows. The source of PMOS 152 is connected to the high-potential power supply VCC or a terminal V_{sw} to which a program potential VPP is selectively supplied, and its drain is connected to the drain of NMOS 154. PMOS 152 also has its gate connected to the drain of PMOS 156 as well as the drain of NMOS 158 and word line WL₃. NMOS 154 has its source connected to the drains of PMOS 148 and NMOS 150 of the NAND gate 133, and its gate supplied with the high-potential power supply VCC. The gate of PMOS 156 is connected to the drains of PMOS 152 and NMOS 154. NMOS 158 has its gate connected to the source of NMOS 154, and its source connected to a low-potential power supply, for example, the ground GND.

With the level shifter 134 of the above arrangement, receiving a high level signal (VCC) from the NAND gate 133, NMOS 158 turns on. This causes PMOS 152 to turn on, bringing word line WL₃ into the low level. Contrarily, receiving a low level signal from the NAND gate 133, NMOS 158 turns off. This causes NMOS 154 to turn on, which makes PMOS 156 turn on, bringing word line WL₃ into the high level (VCC or VPP).

With the level shifter thus constructed, there may be a case where a very high voltage, that is, VPP (12 to 20 V) is applied to PMOSes 152 and 156, and NMOSes 154 and 158 constituting this circuit. For this reason, it is desirable that these MOSFETs should be made up of MOSFETs with high breakdown voltage.

In contrast, to increase the integration, it is desirable that PMOSes 140, 142 and 148, and NMOSes 144, 146 and 150 constituting the row decoder 133 should be made up of MOSFETs of a fine construction. Making the MOSFET finer creates the problem of decreasing the breakdown voltage. Consequently, constructing the row de-

coder 133 and level shifter 134 of MOSFETs of the same configuration is expected to prevent the PROM from having a larger capacity.

Accordingly, especially by using the semiconductor devices explained in the fifth to tenth embodiments, PMOSes 152 and 156, and NMOSes 154 and 158 are made up of NMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎ and PMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎, which provides a thicker gate oxide film, and PMOSes 140, 142 and 148, NMOSes 144, 146 and 150 are composed of NMOS 26₍₁₀₀₎ and PMOS 28₍₁₀₀₎ with the thinner gate oxide film. This makes it possible to make the row decoder 133 of MOSFETs whose gate oxide film is thin enough for finer design, and to construct the level shifter 134 of MOSFETs whose thick gate oxide film provides a high breakdown voltage.

Fig. 18 is a perspective view, in cross section, of a portion of the MOSFET constituting a memory cell portion and peripheral circuit portion of the PROM of Fig. 16.

As shown in Fig. 18, it is known that in a PROM memory, especially in an EEPROM, a first gate insulating film between the floating gate electrode 160 and p-type substrate 30₁ is made thin enough to become a tunnel insulating film.

Particularly by using the semiconductor devices explained in the fifth to tenth embodiments, a memory cell 130 is formed on the p-type substrate 30₁ with the (100) surface orientation, and the MOSFETs (PMOS 26₍₁₁₀₎ and NMOS 28₍₁₁₀₎) constituting the peripheral circuit portions of the row decoder and others are formed on, for example, the p-type epitaxial silicon layer 56 with the (110) surface orientation.

With such a configuration, a gate insulating film can be formed so that the gate oxide film 62₍₁₀₀₎ may differ from the gate oxide film 62₍₁₁₀₎ in film thickness. This makes it possible to form a gate insulating film so thin that a tunnel phenomenon of electrons takes place at the memory cell 130, and at the peripheral circuit portion, to make a gate insulating film thick enough to prevent a tunnel phenomenon from occurring during the normal circuit operation.

The present invention is not limited to the embodiments described so far, but may be practiced or embodied in still other ways without departing from the spirit or essential character thereof. For instance, the silicon nitride film 50, which is formed so that the epitaxial silicon layers 52, 54, and 56 formed on the substrate 12 or 32 may be less affected by the crystal orientations of the substrate 10 or 30 during their growth, may be made up of other insulating films such as a silicon oxide film.

Further, it is possible to reverse the surface orientation of the substrates 10 and 30 and that of

the substrates 12 and 32, that is, to give the substrates 10 and 30 the (100) surface orientation, and the substrates 12 and 32 the (100) surface orientation. The surface orientation is not restricted to (100) and (110). Other surface orientations such as (111) may be used, taking into account the characteristics of an active element to be made, oxidation rate, and others.

It is also possible to use three substrates of different surface orientations to form a semiconductor body having three surface orientation portions, such as (100), (110), and (111).

In addition, other semiconductor materials may be used instead of silicon.

Further, it is, of course, possible to form other active elements such as bipolar transistors, in addition to MOSFETs, on the silicon body with different surface orientation portions of the present invention. For instance, when surface orientation dependence is found in the characteristics of a bipolar transistor, a bipolar transistor may be formed in each portion with the surface orientation assuring the optimum characteristics. This is also with the scope of the present invention.

As explained so far, with the present invention, it is possible to provide a semiconductor body capable of allowing semiconductor elements of different conductivity types not only to display their full performance but also to form semiconductor elements with the optimum characteristics into a device, its manufacturing method, and a semiconductor device using the body.

Claims

1. A semiconductor body characterized by comprising:
 - a semiconductor body (20);
 - a first element formation surface {(100)} formed at the surface of said body, having a first surface orientation; and
 - a second element formation surface {(110)} formed almost parallel to said first element formation surface at the surface of said body, having a second surface orientation different from said first surface orientation.
2. A semiconductor body characterized by comprising:
 - a first semiconductor substrate (10) having a first and a second main surface, a first surface orientation appearing at said first main surface;
 - a second semiconductor substrate (12) having a third main surface, a second surface orientation different from said first surface orientation appearing at the third main surface, and the third main surface being in contact

with the second main surface of said first semiconductor substrate; and

at least one opening (18) made in said first semiconductor substrate (10), at which the third main surface of said second semiconductor substrate (12) appears.

3. A semiconductor body according to claim 2, characterized by further comprising:

a first element formation surface {(100)} formed at said first main surface; and

a second element formation surface {(110)} formed at said third main surface appearing in said opening.

4. A semiconductor body according to claim 3, characterized in that said first semiconductor substrate is a first-conductivity type semiconductor substrate (30), and said second semiconductor substrate is a second-conductivity type semiconductor substrate (32).

5. A semiconductor body according to claim 3, characterized in that said first semiconductor substrate (10) and said second semiconductor substrate (12) are semiconductor substrates of the same conductivity type (30₁, 30₂).

6. A semiconductor body according to claim 2, characterized by further comprising:

a semiconductor layer (52) formed in said opening (18), said second surface orientation appearing at its surface;

a first element formation surface {(100)} formed at said first main surface; and

a second element formation surface {(110)} formed at said semiconductor layer.

7. A semiconductor body according to claim 6, characterized in that said first semiconductor substrate is a first-conductivity type semiconductor substrate (30), and said second semiconductor substrate is a second-conductivity type semiconductor substrate (32).

8. A semiconductor body according to claim 6, characterized in that said first semiconductor substrate (10) and said second semiconductor substrate (12) are semiconductor substrates of the same conductivity type (30₁, 30₂).

9. A method of manufacturing a semiconductor body, characterized by comprising:

the step of preparing a first semiconductor substrate (10) having a first and a second main surface, a first surface orientation appearing at said first main surface, and a second semiconductor substrate (12) having a third main sur-

face, a second surface orientation different from said first surface orientation appearing at the third main surface;

the step of bringing said second main surface into contact with said third main surface; and

the step of making at least one opening (18) in said first semiconductor substrate, at which said third main surface appears.

10. A method of manufacturing a semiconductor body according to claim 9, characterized by further comprising:

the step of performing the epitaxial growth of a semiconductor layer (52) in said opening (18).

11. A semiconductor device characterized by comprising:

a semiconductor body (20);

a first element formation surface {(100)} formed at the surface of said body, having a first surface orientation;

a second element formation surface {(110)} formed almost parallel to said first element formation surface at the surface of said body, having a second surface orientation different from said first surface orientation;

a first semiconductor element (26) formed at said first element formation surface; and

a second semiconductor element (28) formed at said second element formation surface.

12. A semiconductor device characterized by comprising:

a first semiconductor substrate (10) having a first and a second main surface, a first surface orientation appearing at said first main surface;

a second semiconductor substrate (12) having a third main surface, a second surface orientation different from said first surface orientation appearing at the third main surface, and the third main surface being in contact with the second main surface of said first semiconductor substrate;

at least one opening (18) made in said first semiconductor substrate (10), at which the third main surface of said second semiconductor substrate (12) appears;

a first element formation surface {(100)} formed at said first main surface;

a second element formation surface {(110)} formed at said third main surface appearing in said opening;

a first semiconductor element (26) formed at said first element formation surface; and

a second semiconductor element (28) formed at said second element formation surface.

13. A semiconductor device characterized by comprising:

a first semiconductor substrate (10) having a first and a second main surface, a first surface orientation appearing at said first main surface;

a second semiconductor substrate (12) having a third main surface, a second surface orientation different from said first surface orientation appearing at the third main surface, and the third main surface being in contact with the second main surface of said first semiconductor substrate;

at least one opening (18) made in said first semiconductor substrate (10), at which the third main surface of said second semiconductor substrate (12) appears;

a semiconductor layer (52) formed in said opening, whose surface has said second surface orientation;

a first element formation surface {(100)} formed at said first main surface;

a second element formation surface {(110)} formed at said third main surface appearing in said opening;

a first semiconductor element (26) formed at said first element formation surface; and

a second semiconductor element (28) formed at said second element formation surface.

14. A semiconductor device according to claim 11, 12 or 13, characterized in that said first semiconductor element (26) is a first-conductivity type semiconductor element (26), and said second semiconductor element (28) is a second-conductivity type semiconductor element (28).

15. A semiconductor device according to claim 11, 12 or 13, characterized in that said first semiconductor element (26) contains a first-conductivity type semiconductor element (26₍₁₀₀₎) and a second-conductivity type semiconductor element (26₍₁₀₀₎), and said second semiconductor element (28) contains a first-conductivity type semiconductor element (28₍₁₁₀₎) and a second-conductivity type semiconductor element (28₍₁₁₀₎).

16. A semiconductor device according to claim 15, characterized in that said semiconductor elements (26, 28) are both insulated-gate FETs; the device further comprises a bit line pair

(BL, BL) connected to a memory cell (100), and a sense circuit (104) made up of insulated-gate FETs of said first and second conductivity types and connected between said bit line pair, which performs differential amplification of the signal transferred over the bit line pair; and

the first-conductivity type insulated-gate FET constituting said sense circuit (104) is formed at said first element formation surface, and the second-conductivity type insulated-gate FET constituting said sense circuit is formed at said second element formation surface.

17. A semiconductor device according to claim 15, characterized in that said semiconductor elements (26, 28) are both insulated-gate FETs;

the device further comprises a word line (WL), a bit line (BL), a memory cell (102) where a latch circuit composed of said insulated-gate FETs latches the data for subsequent use, and a data transfer insulated-gate FET that determines whether or not said memory cell (102) is allowed to transfer the data to the bit line (BL); and

the insulated-gate FETs constituting said latch circuit are formed at said first element formation surface, and said data transfer insulated-gate FET is formed at said second element formation surface.

18. A semiconductor device according to claim 15, characterized in that said semiconductor elements (26, 28) are both insulated-gate FETs;

the device further comprises a memory cell (102) where a latch circuit composed of said first-conductivity type insulated-gate FET and said second-conductivity insulated-gate FET latches the data for subsequent use; and

the first-conductivity type insulated-gate FET constituting said latch circuit is formed at said first element formation surface, and the second-conductivity type insulated-gate FET is formed at said second element formation surface.

19. A semiconductor device according to claim 15, characterized in that said semiconductor elements (26, 28) are both insulated-gate FETs;

the device further comprises a decoder (132) composed of said insulated gate FETs, for selecting a column or row of memory cells, a level shifter (134) composed of said insulated gate FETs, and connected to the output of said decoder (132), and a wire (WL) electrically connecting said level shifter (134) to said memory cell (130); and

the insulated-gate FETs constituting said

decoder are formed at said first element formation surface, and the insulated-gate FETs constituting said level shifter are formed at said second element formation surface.

20. A semiconductor device according to claim 15, characterized in that said semiconductor elements (26, 28) are both insulated-gate FETs;

the device further comprises a memory cell containing a carrier storage portion (160) composed of said insulated-gate FETs between the gate and semiconductor substrate, for storing carriers, and an insulating film (62₁₀₀) between the storage portion and said semiconductor substrate, as well as a peripheral circuit portion composed of insulated-gate FETs, for activating said memory cell; and

the insulated-gate FETs constituting said memory cell are formed at said first element formation surface, and the insulated-gate FETs constituting said peripheral circuit portion are formed at said second element formation surface.

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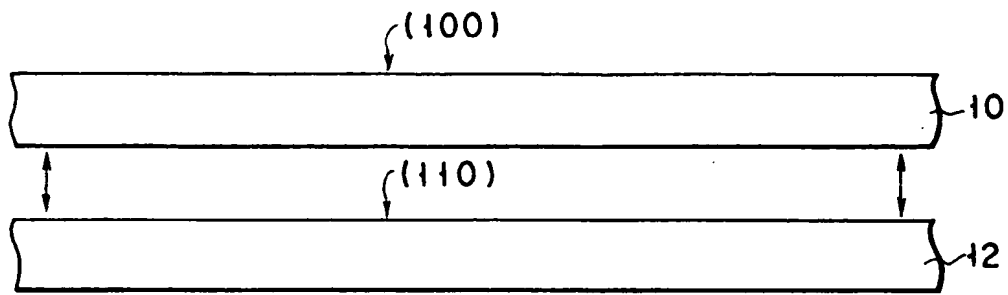


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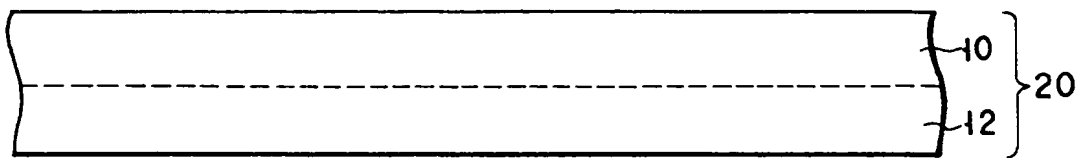


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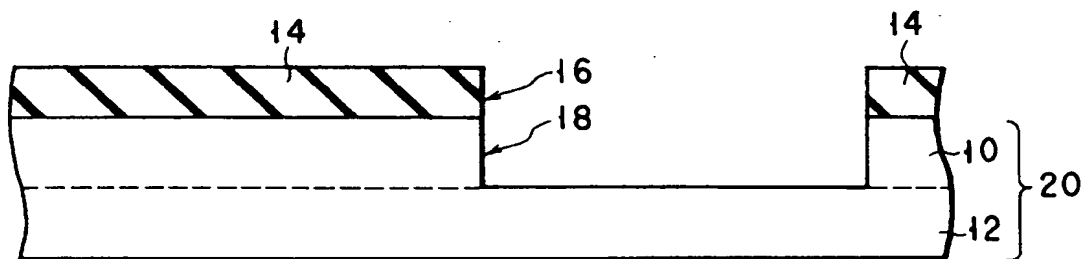


FIG. 1C

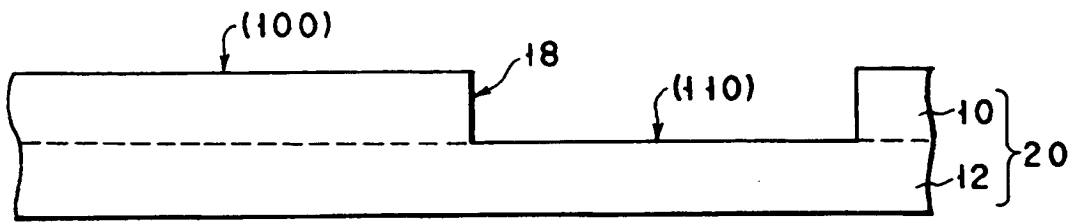


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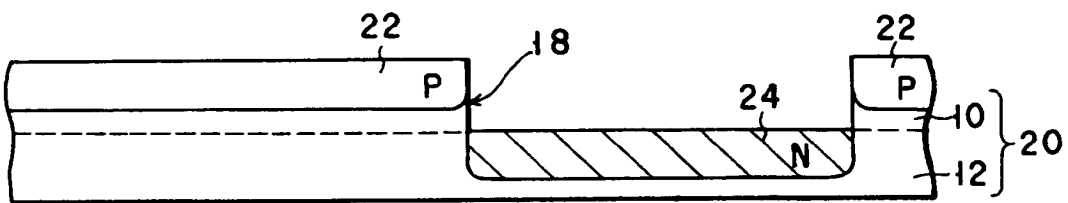


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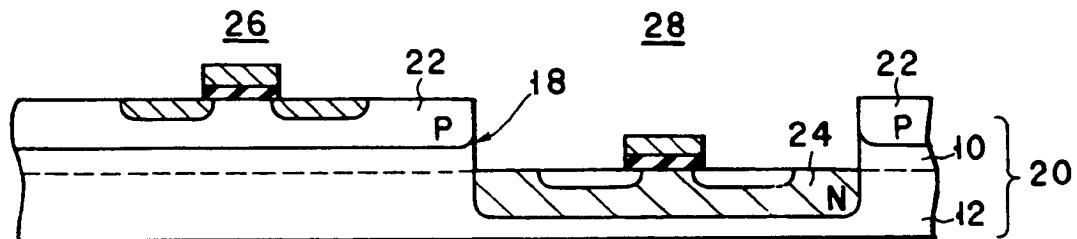


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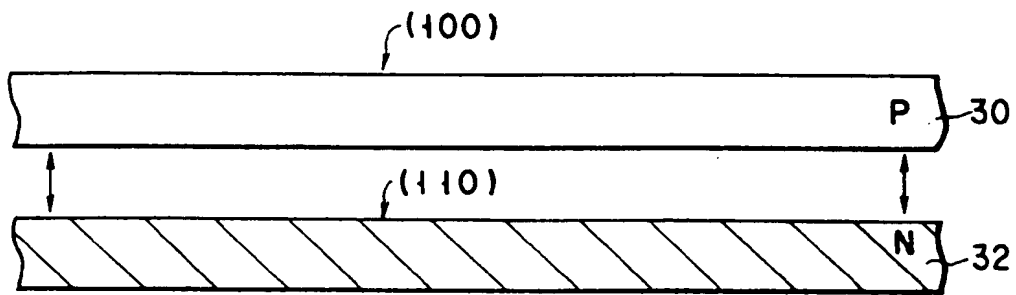


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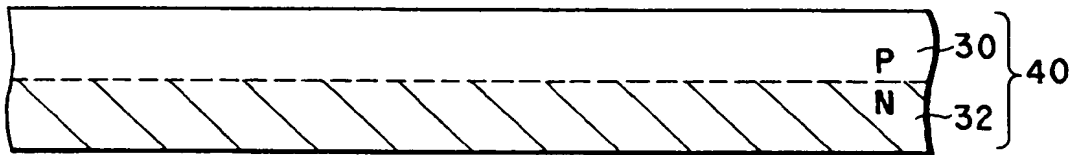


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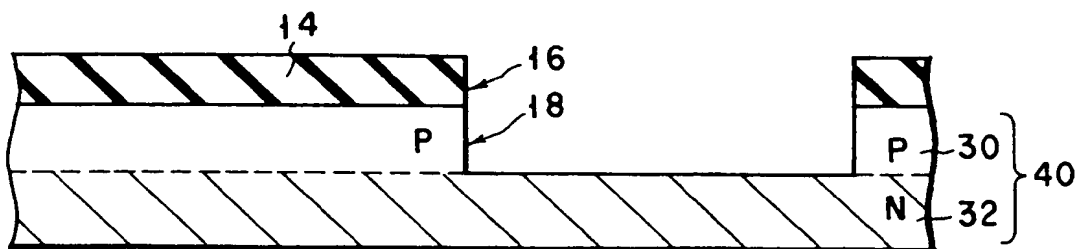


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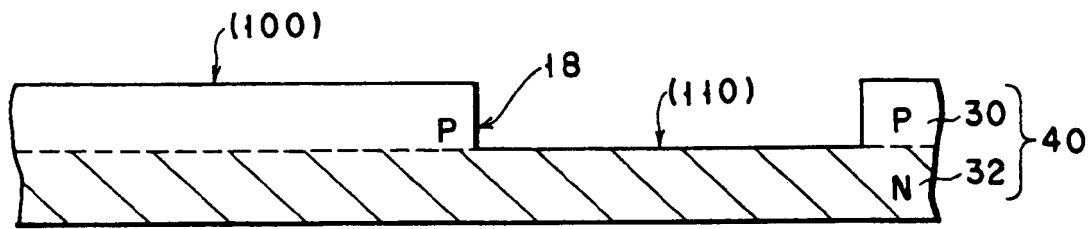


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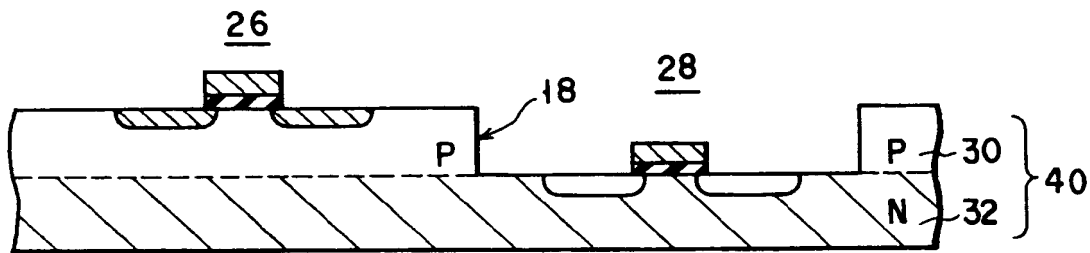


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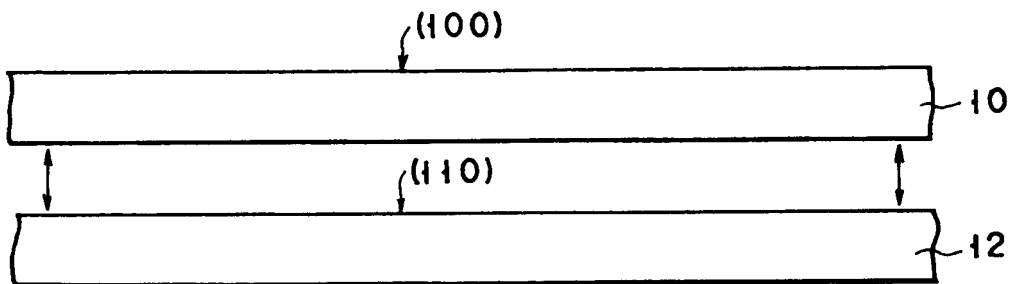


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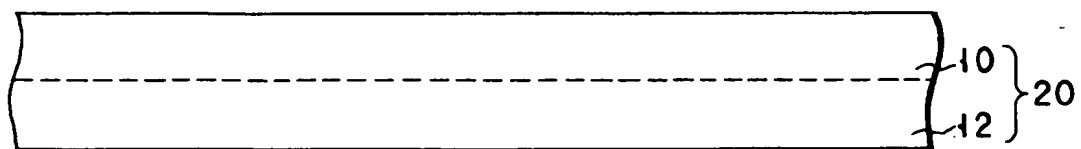


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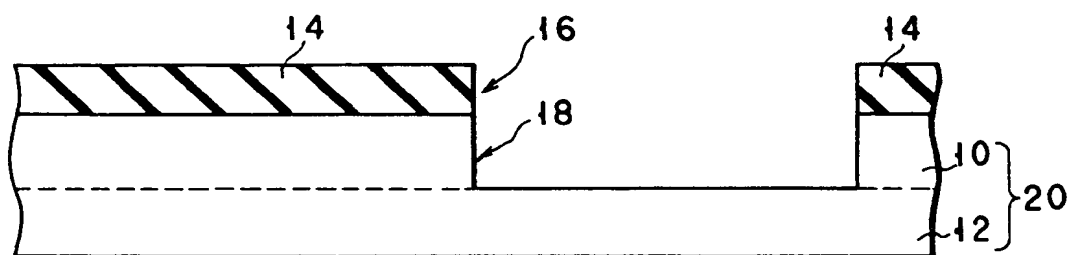


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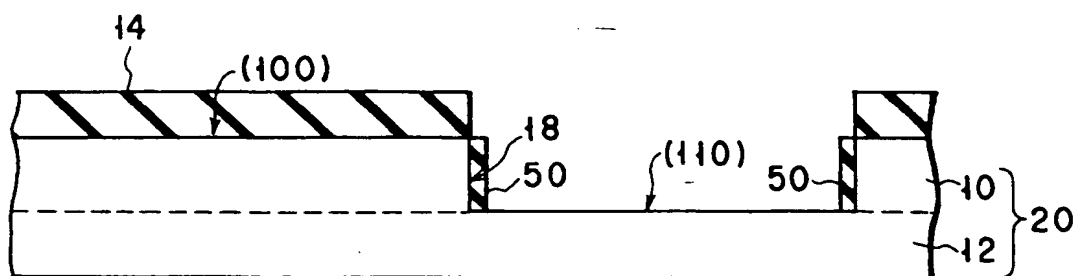


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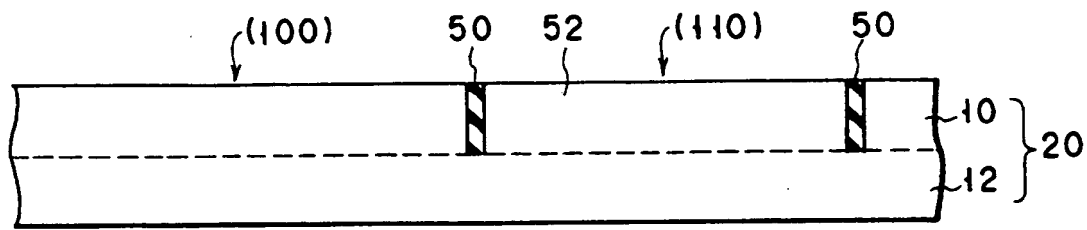


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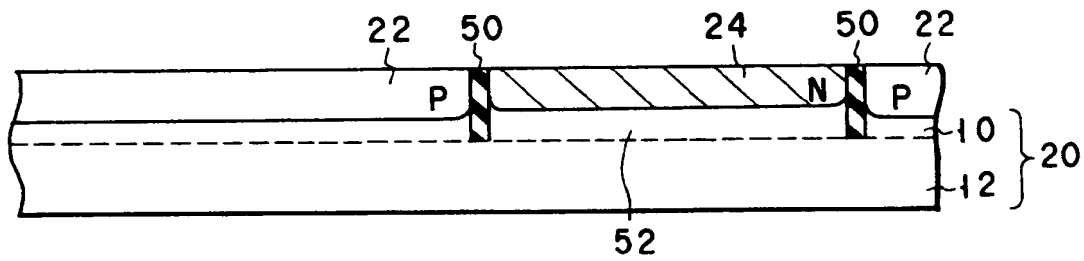


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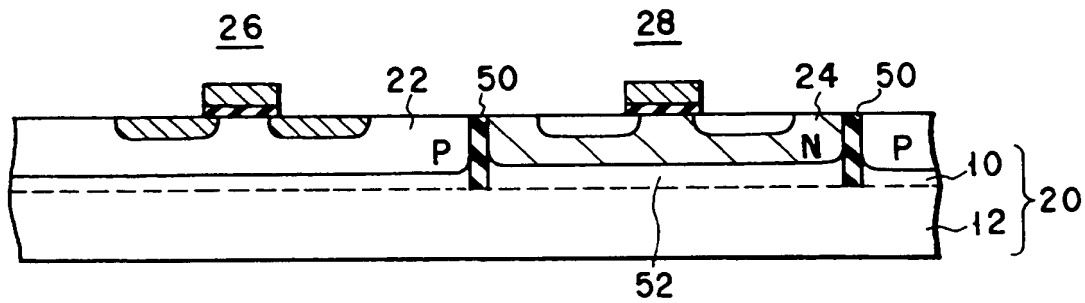


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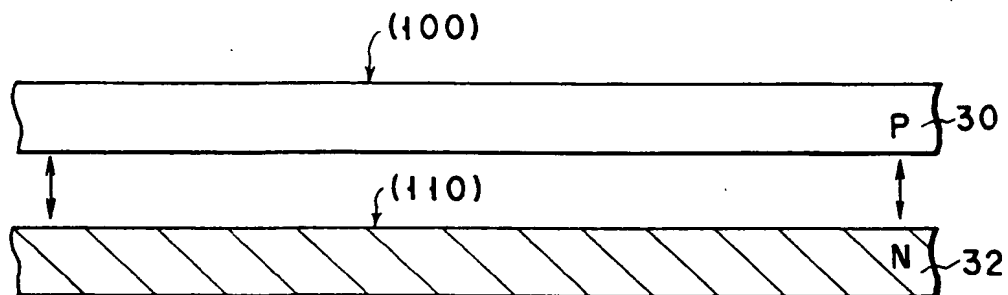


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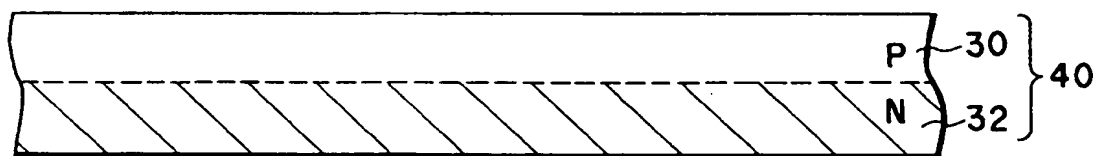


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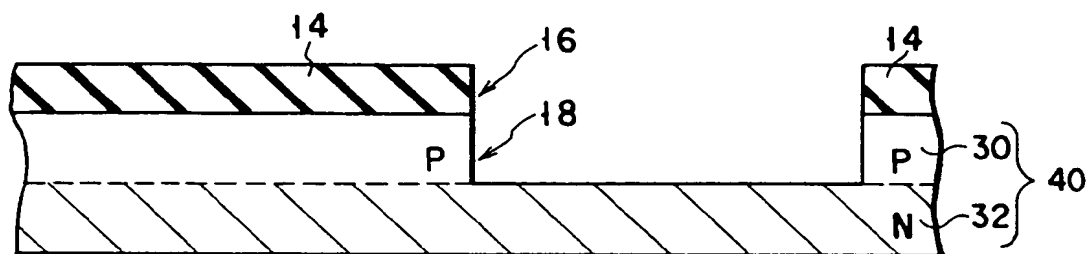


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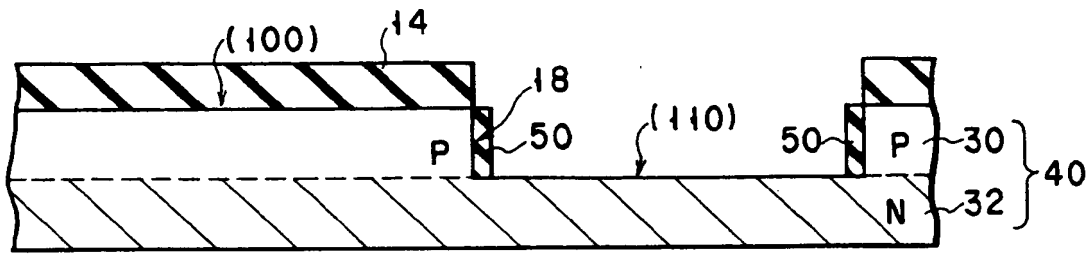


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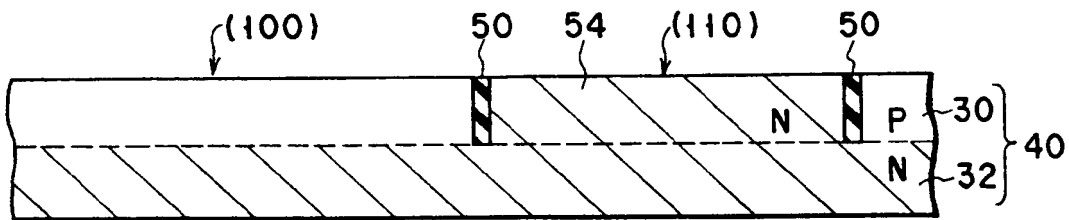


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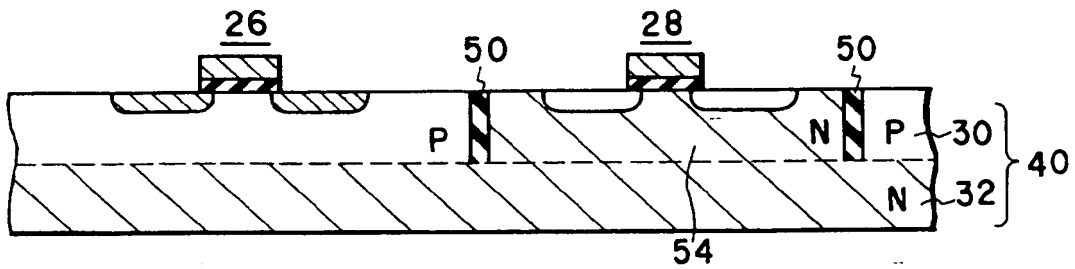


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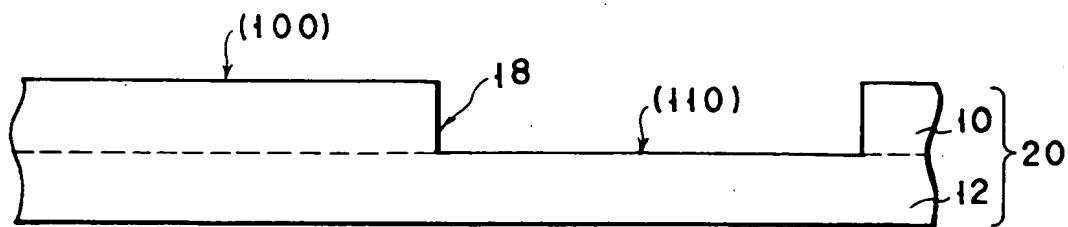


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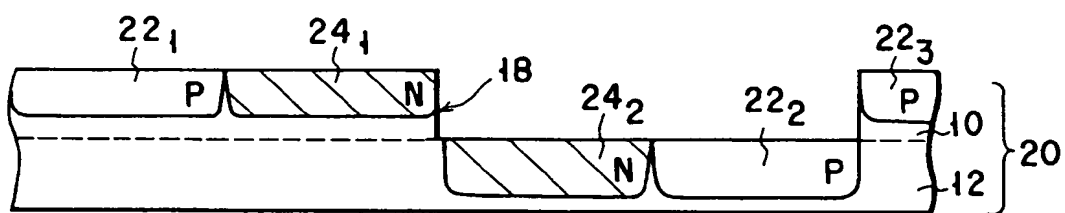


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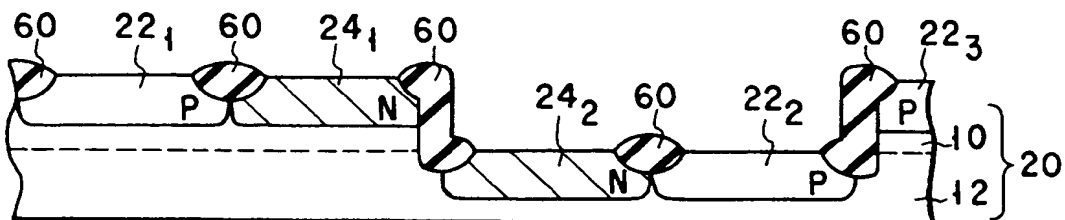


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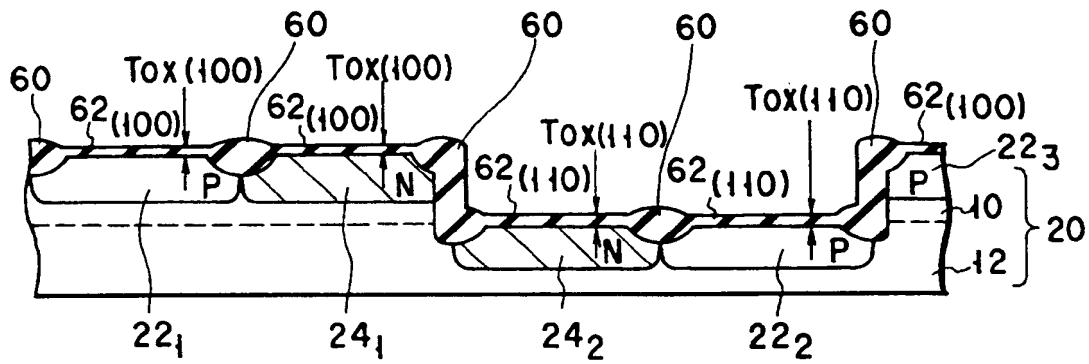


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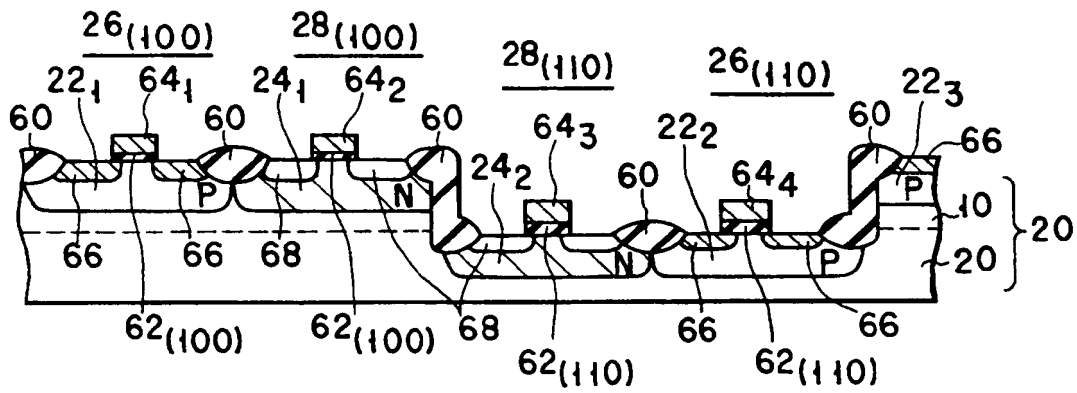


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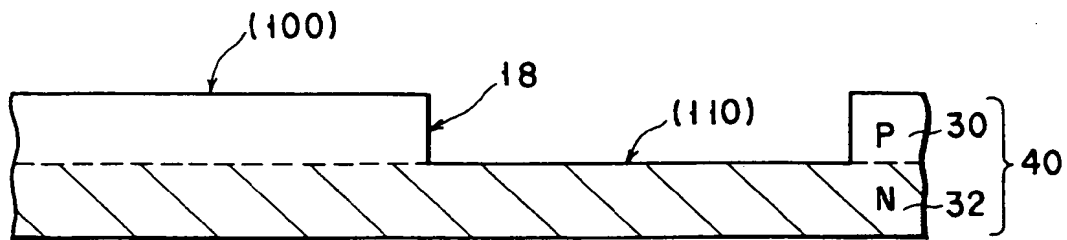


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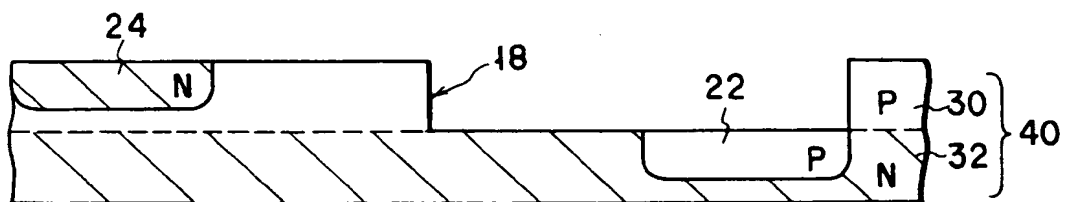


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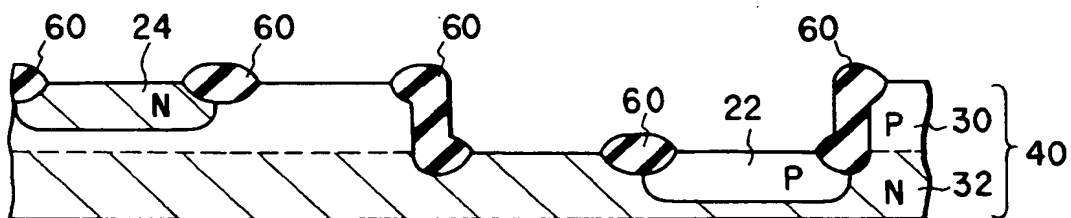


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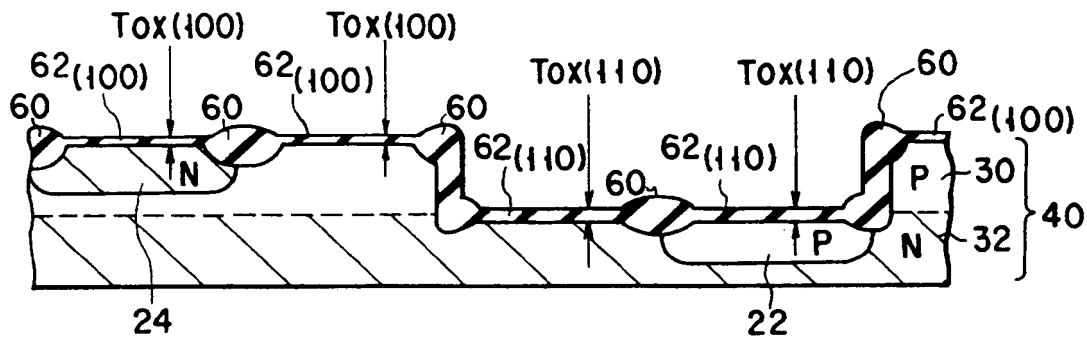


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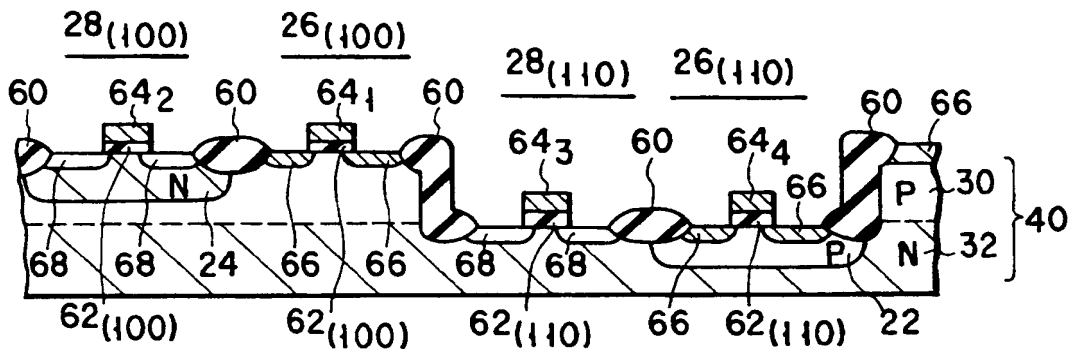


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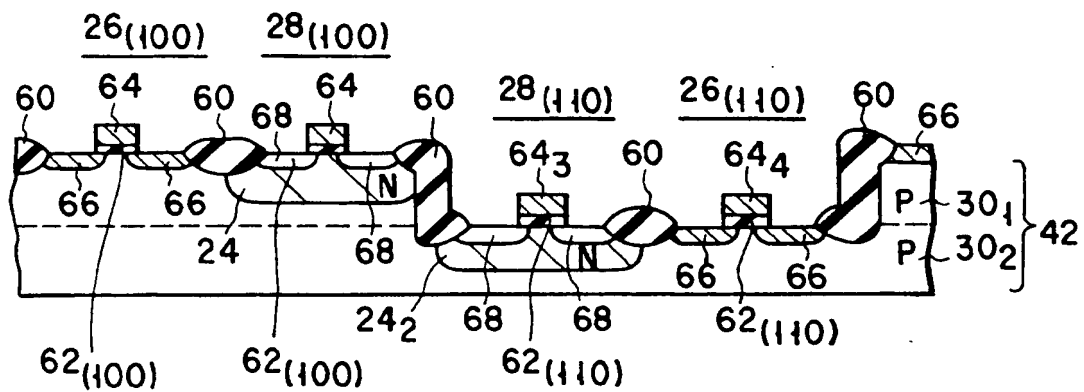


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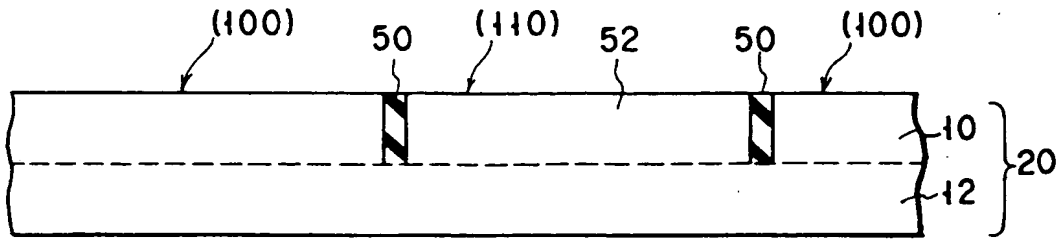


FIG. 8A

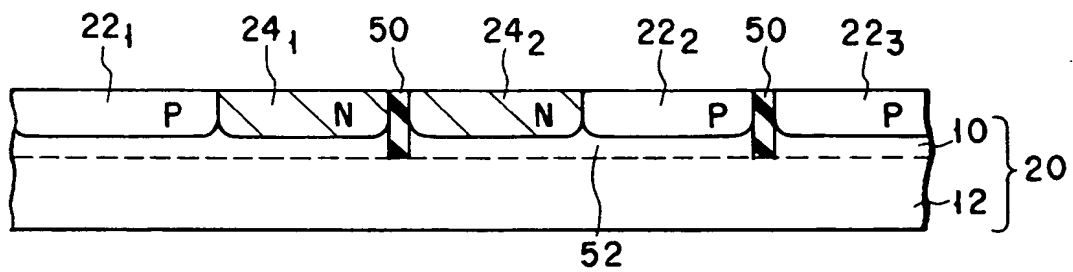


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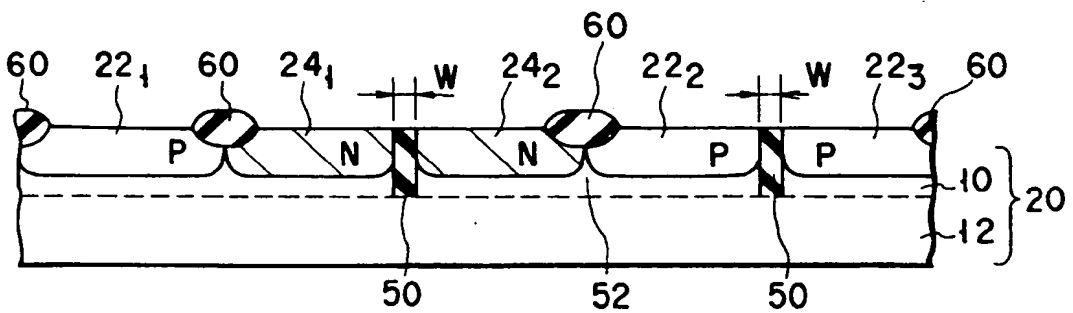


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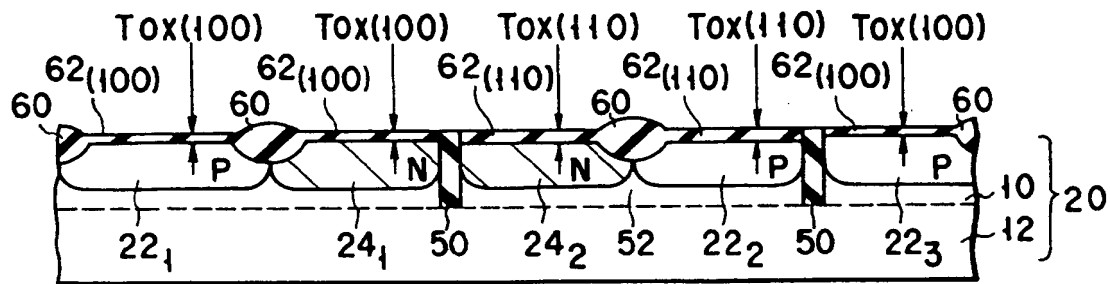


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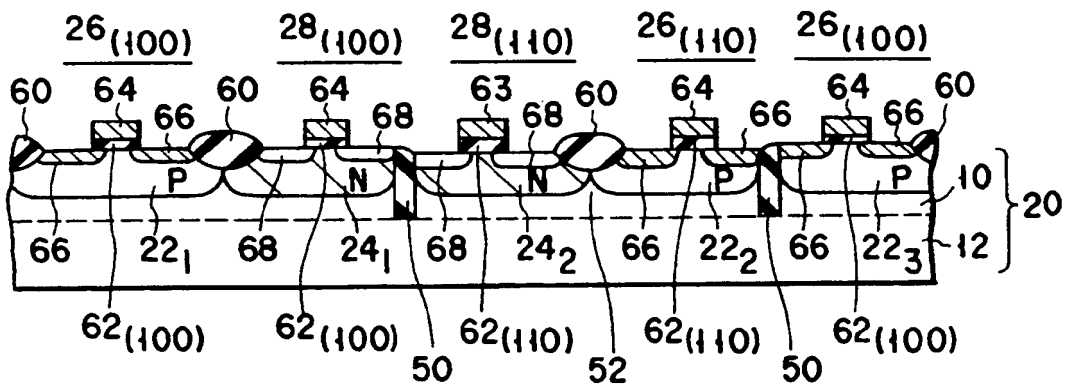


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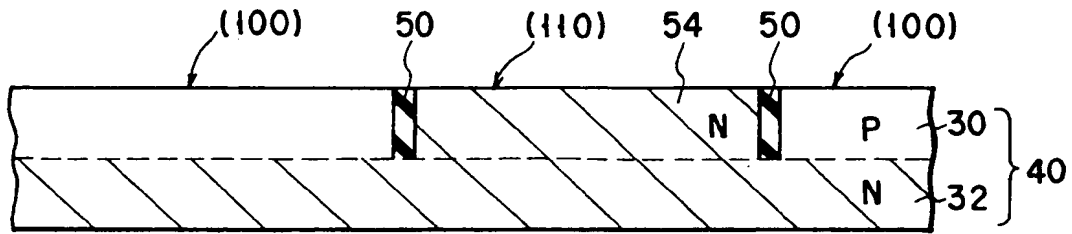


FIG. 9A

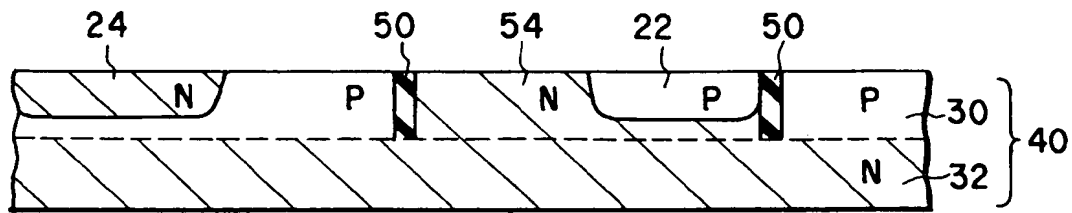


FIG. 9B

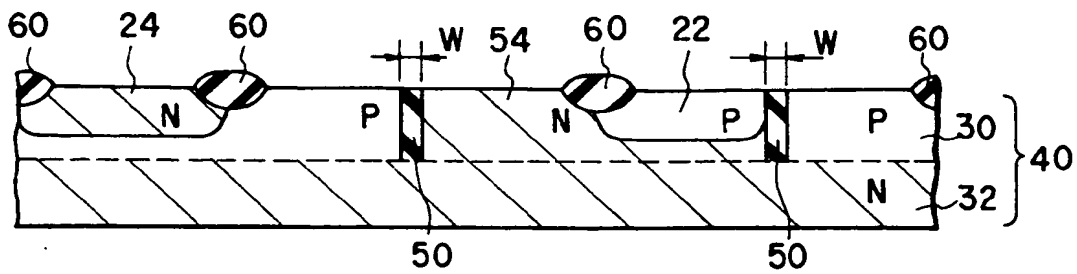
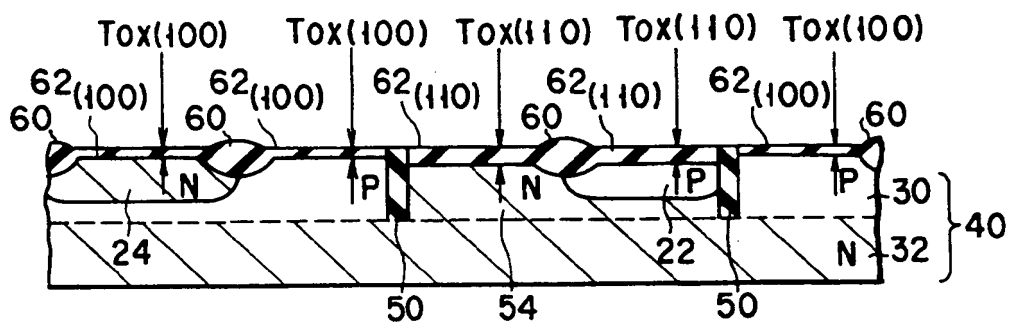


FIG. 9C



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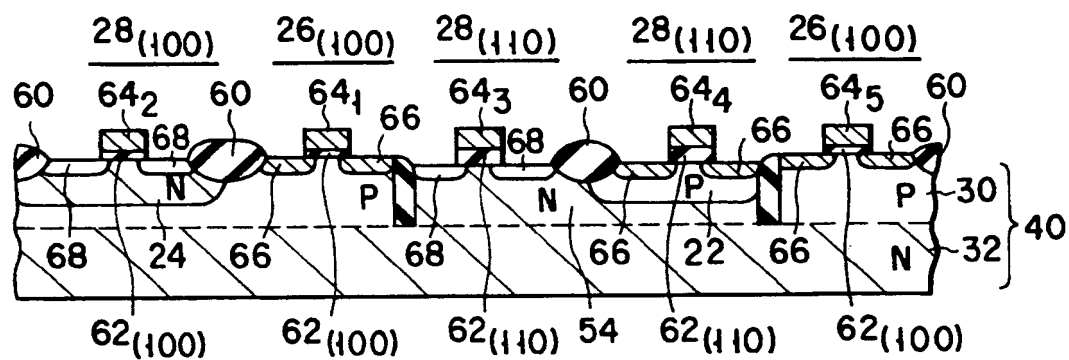


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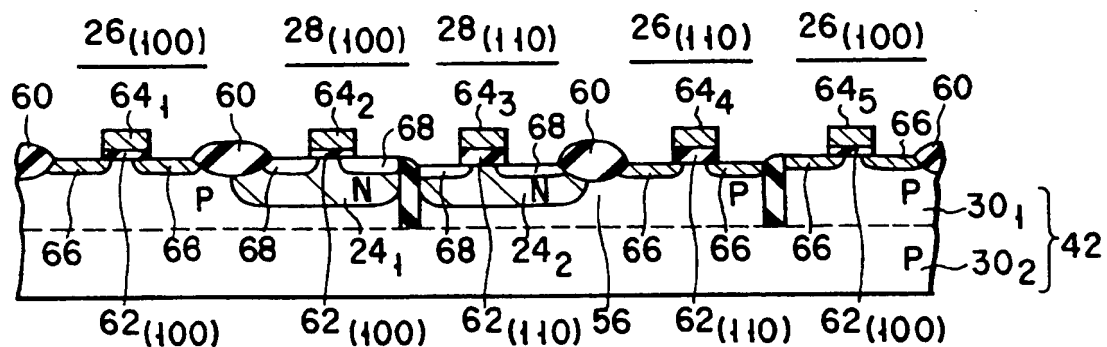


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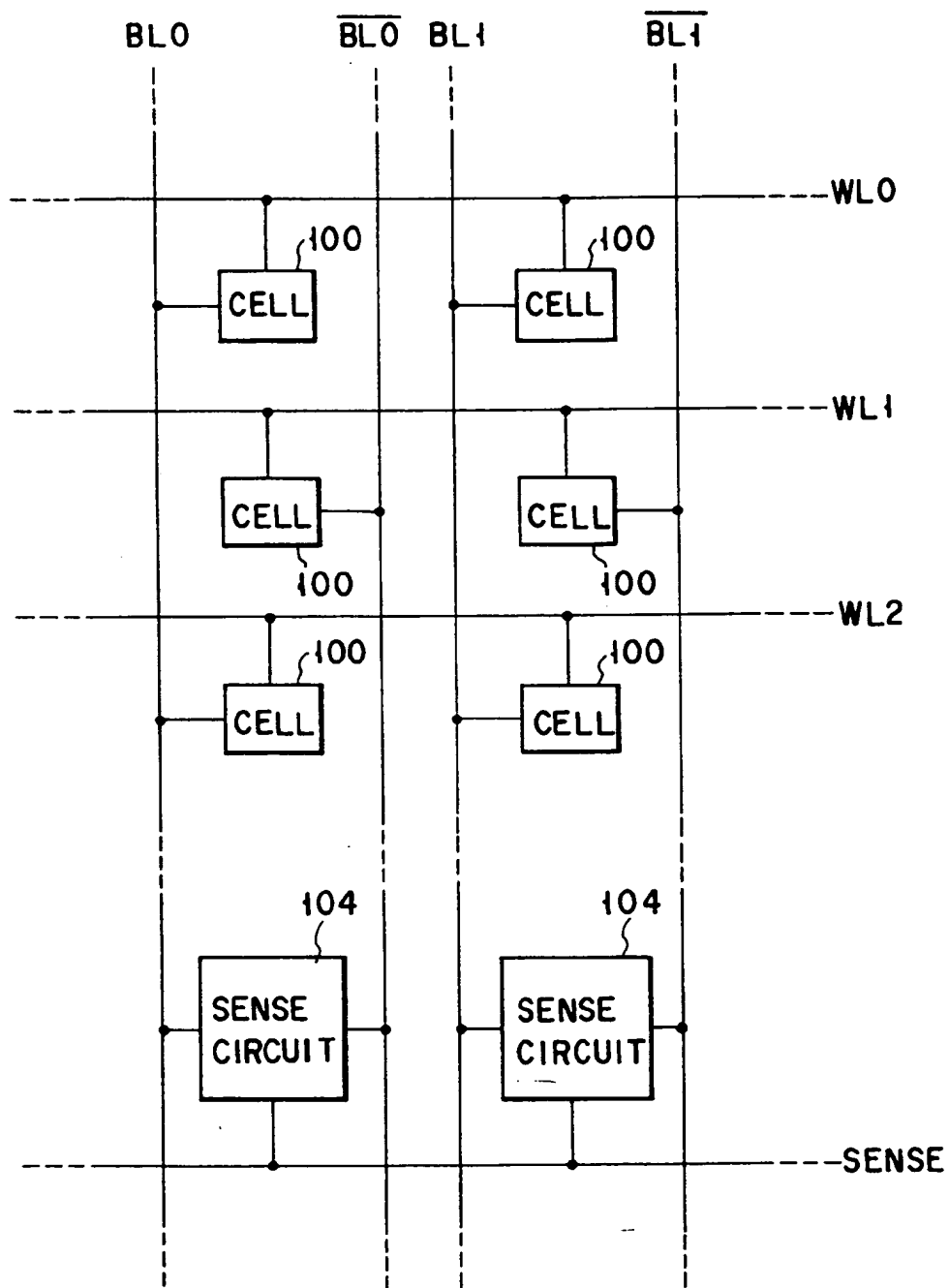


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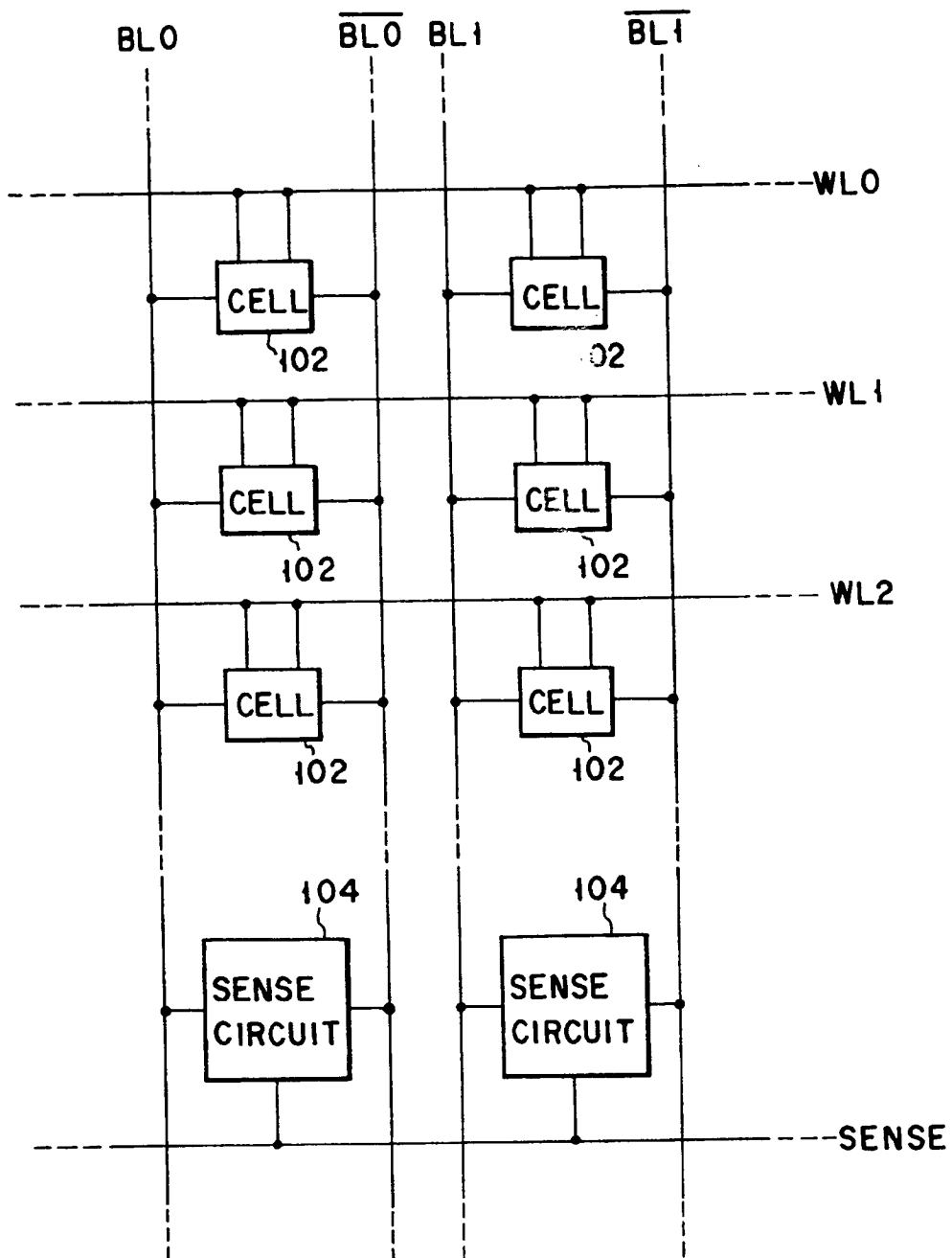


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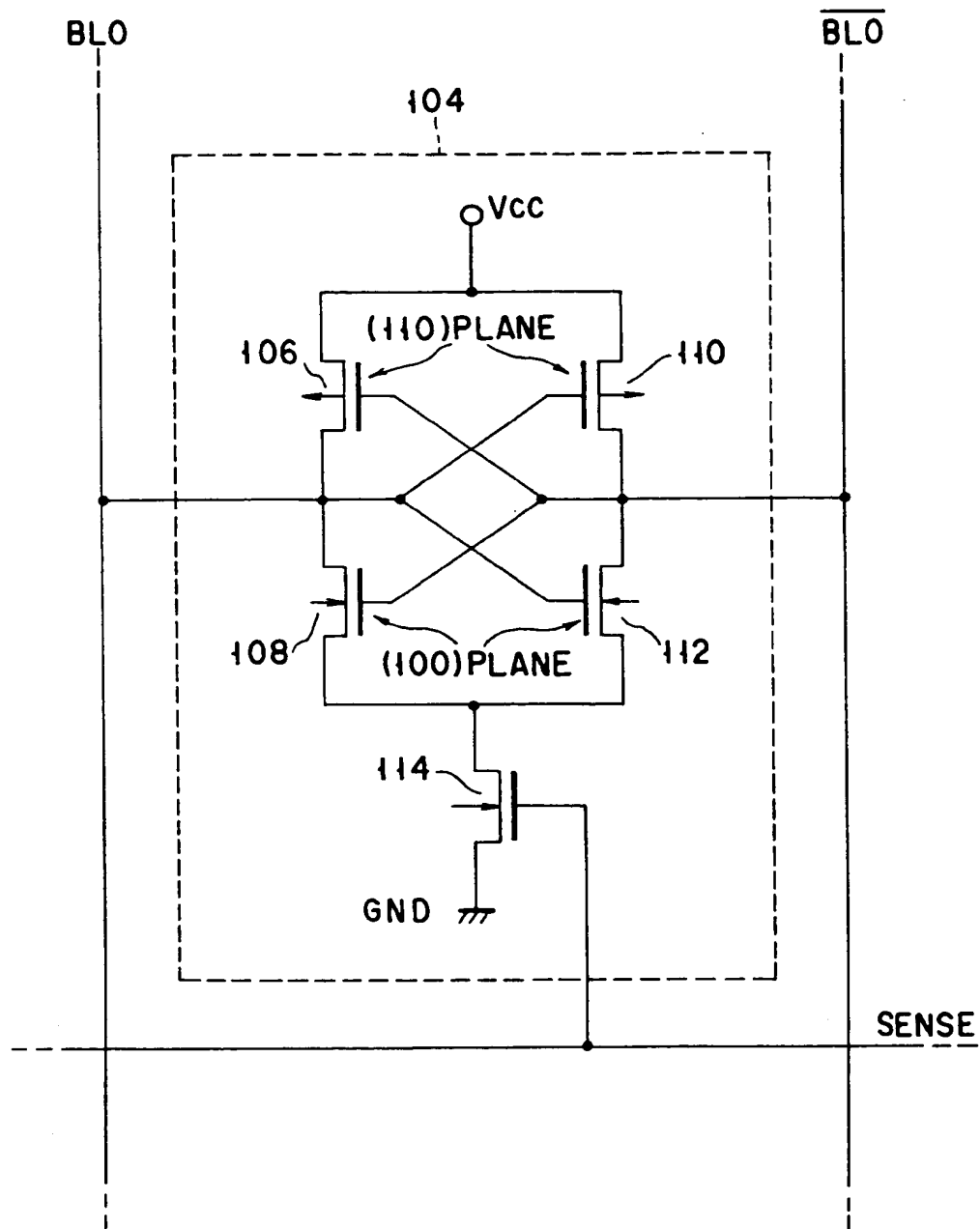


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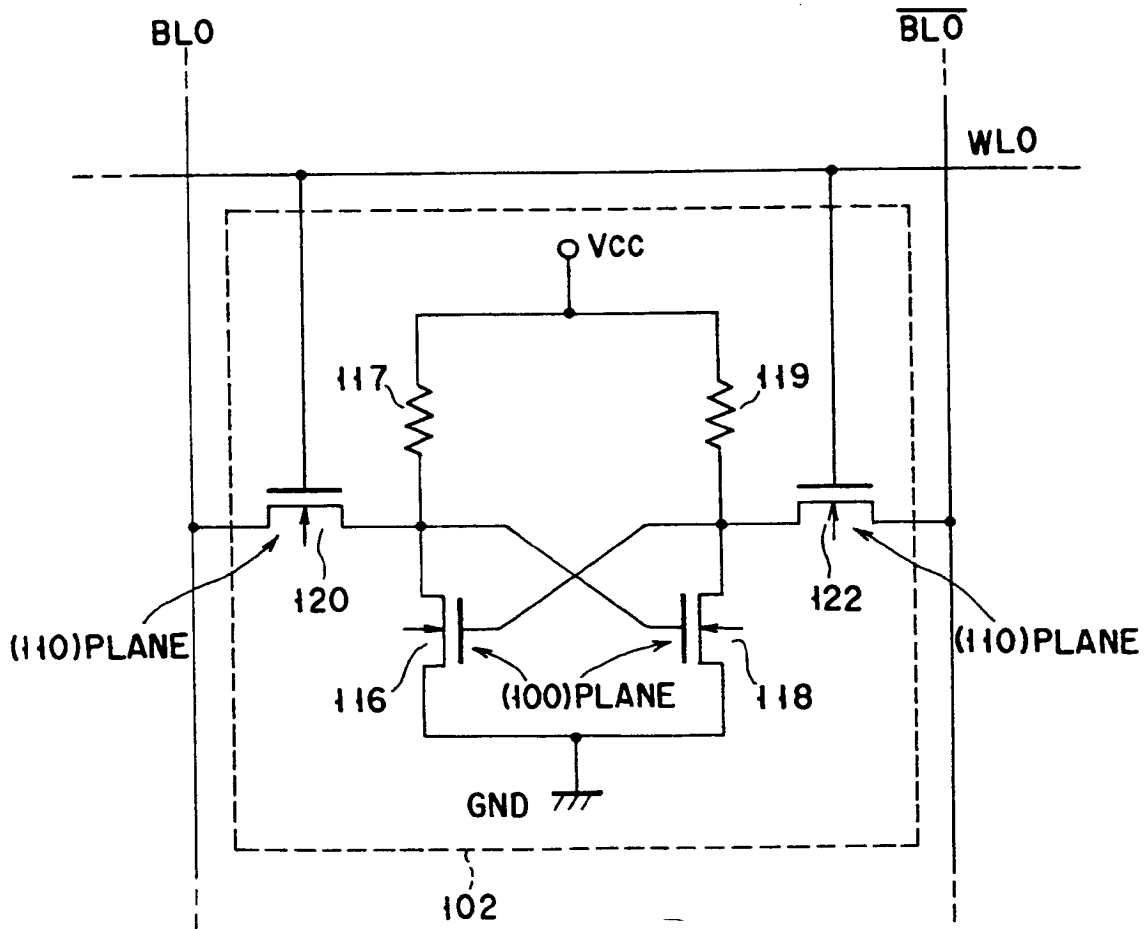


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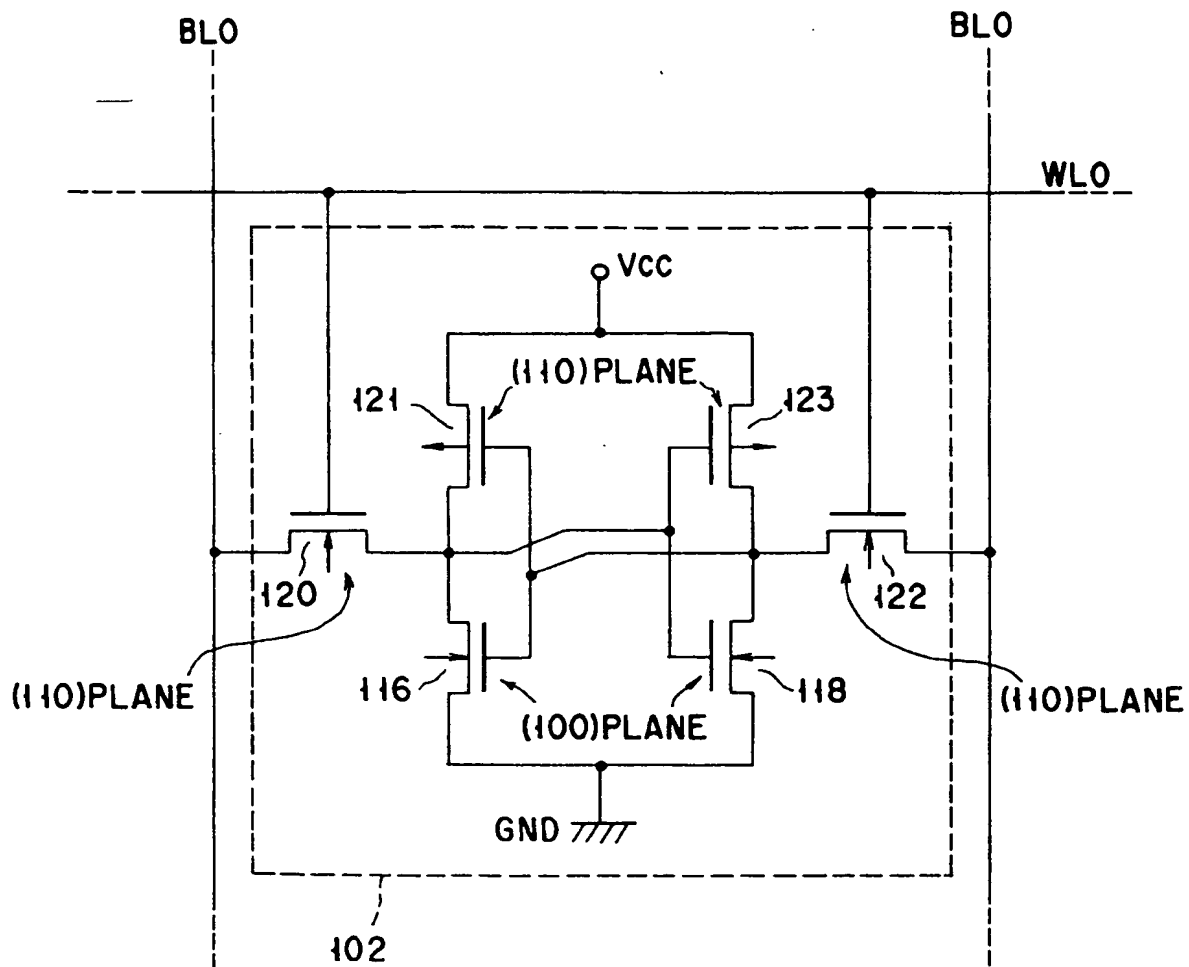


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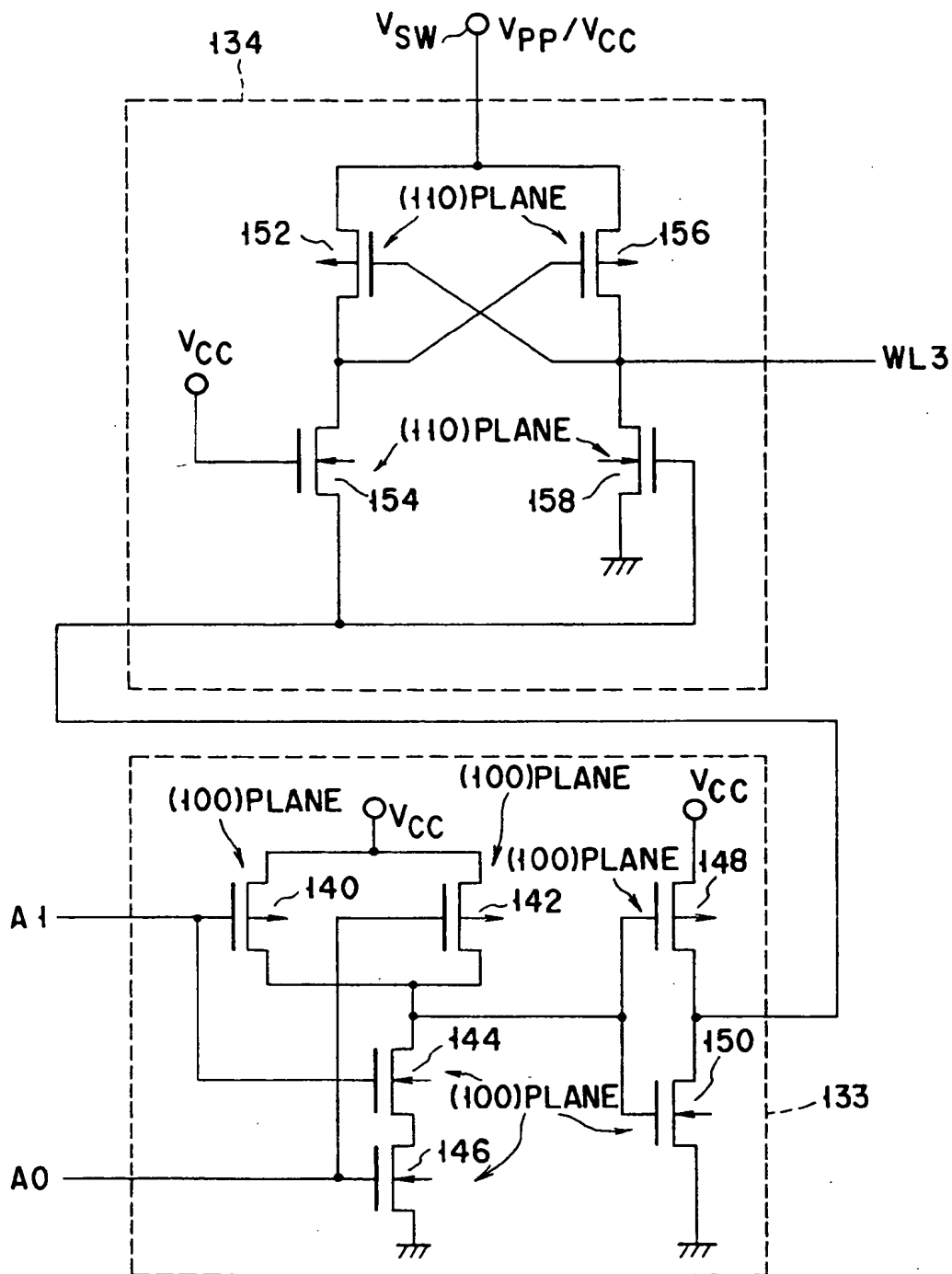
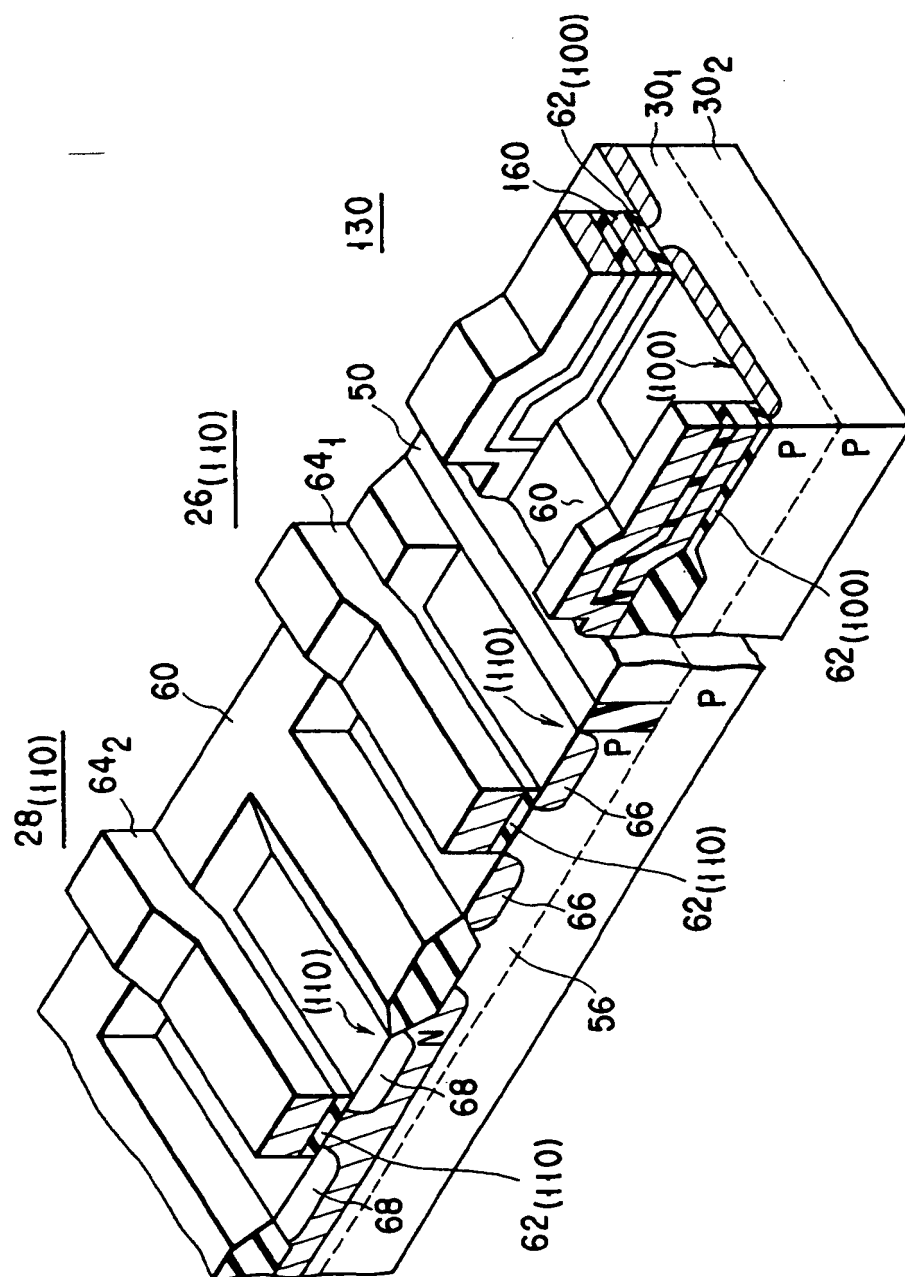
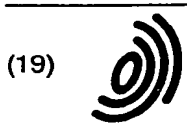


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(54) Semiconductor body, its manufacturing method, and semiconductor device using the body

(57) A semiconductor body (20) has a first and a second element formation surface. The semiconductor body (20) is constructed in such a manner that a first semiconductor substrate (10), which has a first main surface at which the (100) plane appears, is laminated to a second semiconductor substrate (12), which has a second main surface at which the (110) plane appears. Made in the first semiconductor substrate (10) is at least one opening

(18) at which is the second main surface of the second semiconductor substrate (12). The first main surface of the first semiconductor substrate (10) becomes the first element formation surface of the semiconductor body (20), and the second main surface of the second semiconductor substrate becomes the second element formation surface of the body (20).

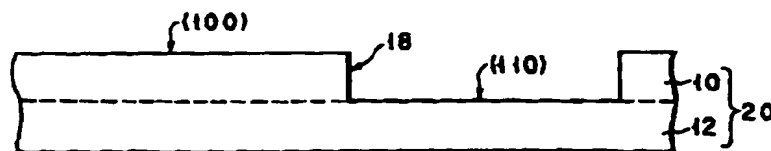


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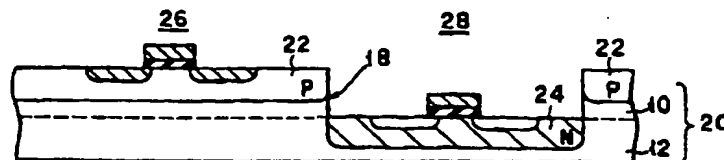


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